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NO FOOLIN' — it's not long until December 25, as Orinda Postmaster Laura Mallary proves to Assistant Postmastetr Edward Kuenzli (in top photo). Below, Orinda Post Office employees Bob Wickman (left), Bob Fox (center) and Jim Hall "pray for early mailing of packages. If you want your gifts to reach their recipients before Christmas, you'd better hurry!
— SUN Photos by Mattson

Orindans Donate 192 Pints Blood For Servicemen!

Orinda not only "did itself proud" when the Red Cross Bloodmobile came to town Wednesday—it also established a record which comes close to some outstanding results in other communities of the area.

When the Stockton Bloodmobile Unit 1 "closed shop" after five hours at Orinda Community Church, Orindans had contributed 192 pints of blood for U. S. servicemen in Korea! That's by far the best Bloodmobile showing Orinda has ever made. (Last August only 61 pints were donated.)

TOTAL NUMBER of persons who showed up to offer their blood was 265 ,but 73 were rejected for various reasons.

The record turnout resulted from community-wide efforts to publicize the Bloodmobile visit, including persistent phone-canvassing by a committee of 40 women under Mrs. Warren Arnett, chairman of the local phone recruitment committee. The Bloodmobile visit was under the auspices of the Mt. Diablo Red Cross Chapter.

EIGHTH GRADE students had made Bloodmobile posters which were displayed at business establishments at the Crossroads and in the Village, and Mrs. H. H. Lowthian had made a half-dozen striking posters, two of which were placed at the gate to the church grounds and the other of which were at Crossroads and Village business places.

The students' poster work, arranged through cooperation of Schools Superintendent Joseph L. Sheaff, was under direction of Bernard H. Bloom, art teacher.

The Orinda Chamber of Commerce donated $10 to defray poster expenses.

No Need for Confusion—Tax Bill's as Clear as Any of the 17 Subdistricts!

Did somebody say county tax bill? Beg pardon, there were 17 sets of county tax bills sent to Orinda taxpayers, and you received one of them, depending on which of the 17 tax assessment subdistricts here you live in.

You are probably all too painfully aware of that, what with the recent due date for county and special district taxes for the fiscal year from July 1, 1952, to June 30, 1953. But perhaps you were so engrossed in your own computations that you didn't appreciate the similar problems confronted by many of your fellow Orindans, with different sets of figures.

Purpose of this little essay is to enlighten you farther on this matter and to increase your appreciation of these problems.

If anyone was naive enough to think that the general county tax rate of $2.459 per $100 assessed valuation would represent the sole charge on his tax bill, he has since been disillusioned. Tax rates for various special districts up the figure to one of the 17 total tax rates, ranging from $6.987 to $8.538. The 15 total tax rates in between those extremes are $7.179, $7.264, $7.317, $7.324, $7.449. $7.662, $7.806, $7.82, $7.932, $7.992, $8.052, $8.43, $8.435, $8.478 and $8.495.

Confusing? Not at all! As the schedule accompanying your tax bill explained: "All rates applicable for the year on the county's tax roll are shown below, identified by code numbers. The rate applied to the valuation of your property is indicated by the code number immediately below the large Figure 1 on the right of the main portion of your tax bill."

Still a mite befuddled? Well, it's like this:

The Orinda area is known as the 8300 County Tax Assessment District. It contains 17 subdistricts—numbers 8301 to 8314, inclusive; 8316, 8318 and 8319.

All 17 subdistricts pay the general county tax rate of $2.459 per $100 assessed valuation; all pay the tax rate of $2.002 to the Orinda Union School District and $.356 to the Junior College District.

But there the similarity ends. In fact, the remaining dissimilarity is so great that each of the 17 subdistricts has its own separate total tax rate, as has been listed.

Ti wit: Sixteen of the subdistricts pay a $1.632 tax rate for the High School District, while one pays $1.595. For the Fire District, four county assessment subdistricts pay a $1.003 tax rate; two pay a $.926 tax rate; one, $.677; four $.507, and six, $.50.

Further to wit: Nine assessment subdistricts pay a $.675 rate to the Sanitary District, one pays a $.40 rate, and seven, not being in the Sanitary District, don't pay any. The Mosquito Abatement District gets a $.028 tax rate from 13 assessment subdistricts, but doesn't include the other four, which, therefore, don't contribute any taxes to the anti-mosquito war.

Still further to wit: The East Bay Municipal Utility District tax rate of $.27 affects 14 of the subdistricts, but not the other three, which don't pay any E.B.M.U.D. tax. Seven subdistricts pay a $.06 County Water District tax rate, while 10 don't pay any. Fourteen subdistricts pay a $.10 rate for flood control, while three pay $.13. Two subdistricts pay a $.213 Hospital District tax rate; the other 15 don't pay any.

If all this leaves you well-nigh witless, take cheer—there'll be another county tax bill next year. In the meantime, you may feel the need to fortify yourself with extra vitamin tablets or some other form of suitable stimulation.

Commuters Told Of Overcrowded Buses to Oakland

A survey of service conditions and problems of commuter buses was the high point of Tuesday night's meeting of the Contra Costa County Commuters Association at Acalanes High School.

John E. McKirahan gave a comprehensive report which showed very definite improvement in the San Francisco service but brought out that some schedules to Oakland are badly overcrowded. He stated that Greyhound, to insure on-time departure of evening buses, had revised afternoon schedules to and from Oakland. For the benefit of department store personnel, a Saturday morning schedule to Oakland was inaugurated last Saturday.

MAGNUS HANSEN presented a set of plans for the Acalanes Junction Shelter which he had drawn up, and stated arrangements had been completed to provide the lumber as needed when the project gets under way after the Christmas holiday period.

Ned Smith was appointed to act as liaison between the association and the firm of De Leuw, Cather and Company, traffic consultants, who are making preliminary outlines of traffic needs for study by the Bay Area Rapid Transit Commission.

Frances Schrupp was appointed delegate from the association to the Diablo Highway Improvement Federation.

THE FOLLOWING committees were set up by President Dudley W. Thickens:

Service: John E. McKirahan, Del Armstrong, Charles Wood Jr., Arthur W. Bowman and John G. MacLean.

Shelters: Del Armstrong, Victor Johnson and Giles A. Wall.

Membership: Norma L. Warner, Walter Roberts, Giles Wall, Del Armstrong, L. C. Davis and Fred Folliard.

Tariff and Loading Studies: Ester Anderson and Virgil Sloan.

Publicity: John MacLean, Walter Roberts and Charles Wood Jr.

Finance: Fred Folliard and John MacLean.

Plans for the membership drive which started yesterday were discussed and completed.

10 Seek Vacant Directorship On Sanitary Board

By POLITICUS

That vacant director's chair on the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District board probably will be filled Thursday.

At that time, the present four directors may give the nod to one of the eight men who have applied for the position recently vacated by William Malott of Pleasant Hill.

Here are the names of those who have filed:

M. H. STANLEY, secretary of the Lafayette and Pleasant Hill Water District, Lafayette Fire District commissioner, member of the Acalanes High School Board of Trustees and former trustee of the Lafayette Grammar School District. His home is at 1200 Martino Lane, Lafayette. Stanley is a pioneer resident of this area and has owned much property. His reputation as a businessman and civic leader is respected throughout the district.

JOHN W. FRY, civil engineer employed by Frederickson Brothers Highway Construction Company. He lives at 1140 Vallecito Court, Upper Happy Valley, Lafayette.

FRANK E. JONES, 11 Ivy Drive, Orinda.

RICHARD R. NESBITT, former Acalanes High School instructor, now training coordinator for the Supply and Fiscal Department of the Alameda Naval Air Station. He is former president of the Idylwood Improvement Association. His address is 716 Rosewood Drive, Walnut Creek.

ROBERT L. HEATON, 3140 Stanley Boulevard, Lafayette. He is a design engineer with Fibreboard Products, San Francisco; also president of the Stanley Boulevard Homeowners' Association.

MILO G. SPAICH, general manager of the American Forge Company and vice-president of Pacific States Steel Corporation. His address is 195 Van Ripper Lane, Orinda.

L. L. FARRELL, 2836 Melille Drive ,Walnut Creek, a civil engineer.

H. W. KELLY, supervisor of plumbing inspections. He lives at 41 Heather Lane in Walnut Creek.

Indications seem to point to the fact that the present board primarily is considering the first five men listed—Stanley, Fry, Jones, Nesbitt and Heaton. Of these, the odds appear to be resting with Stanley.

If that is the case, the thought among some observers is that the board will be getting a man schooled in the functions, complexities and organization of district work.

As shown by his background, they say, Stanley now is associated with a water district, a fire district and a school district. A learned and qualified individual, he is, they feel, ideally suited to assume a directorship on the sanitary board, and would represent the public to the satisfaction of all.

Committee Wants Your Suggestion For Man of Year

Have you decided yet on your choice for Orinda's Man—or Woman—of the Year? Better hurry—some time shortly before Christmas the "Man of the Year" committee is expected to announce its selection, and the committee's deliberations will be greatly aided by nominations sent in.

The Orinda "Man of the Year" committee consists of Chairman Walter E. Friberg, president of the Orinda Chamber of Commerce and the Orinda Lions Club; Kendric B. Morrish, vice-president of the Orinda Association; Mrs. Marvin T. Bonds, president of the Orinda Mothers Club ,and Leighton D. McGregor, president of the Orinda Rotary Club.

The annual Man of the Year contest is sponsored by The SUN. Send your nominations to The SUN, stating your reasons. All nominations will be turned over to the committee.

THERE ARE MANY persons in Orinda who rate recognition for the public-spirited work for the community. The committee will name the person it considers to have contributed most to Orinda during 1952.

Nominations are starting to come in. One letter received this week suggested two Men of the Year—Dr. Wayne Caygill and Dr. Carl Wellington Smith.

"I BELIEVE THAT this year Orinda should name two men as Orinda's 'Men of the Year'!" the writer states. "These two men are Orinda's two sympathetic, unselfish and intelligent physicians, Dr. Wayne Caygill and Dr. Carl Wellington Smith. These doctors give unstintingly of themselves, night and day, and their goal is to help Orinda keep happy and healthy.

"Our two doctors take a personal pride in the accomplishments of their little children patients; they are heartsick when tragedy strikes, and happy when good fortune greets their Orinda families."

Whom do you suggest for Orinda's Man—or Woman—of the Year?

65¢, 50¢ Hikes In Phone Rates Asked for Orinda

Pacific Telephone applied to the California Public Utilities Commission on Wednesday for a rate increase varying by cities. For residence telephones in Orinda, the requested increase is 65 cents a month for one-party and 50 cents on two-party service.

Typical rates applicable in Orinda:

	Present	Proposed
1-party residence	5.05	5.70
2-party residence	3.90	4.40
2-party residence (message rate)	3.00	3.50
1-party business (message rate)	5.50	7.00

George Baslaugh, telephone company manager, pointed out that for the state as a whole the proposed increase averages 3½ cents per telephone a day.

HE SAID THE company proposes a reduction in the message unit rate from 4.4 cents to 4 cents for calls in the San Francisco-East Bay extended area. At the same time, the 3.5 cents message unit rate now in effect in the Los Angeles extended area would be increased under the proposal to 4 cents. This would establish uniform local message allowance and message unit rates in the San Francisco-East Bay and Los Angeles extended areas, he said.

Also proposed is a $2 increase for phone installation charges — from $5 to $7.

"HIGHER RATES are necessary because of inflation as reflected in higher costs of materials and supplies, increased taxes and higher wage costs," the company manager said.

"General price levels have increased 90 percent since the 1935-39 period established by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics as 'normal'. During the same period California intra-state telephone rates increased on the average only 24 percent, including some rate reductions."

IN SIX POST-WAR years, Pacific Telephone has spent $815,000,000 in California for service improvement and expansion, more than doubling the telephone plant in service, he added. In 1952-53 ,the company plans to put an additional $326,000,000 in California to bring the total to more than a billion dollars in less than a decade, he continued.

Commenting on this construction program, the manager said, "It has been financed with post-war inflated dollars. Telephone rates, on the other hand, have lagged behind the inflationary spiral. This has resulted in an adverse effect on our company's earnings. We must improve our financial condition in order to meet our state's growing needs for telephone service."

Joseph Sheaff Again Will Head March of Dimes

Joseph L. Sheaff will again be March of Dimes chairman for Orinda in the month-long anti-polio fund drive which will start January 2, it was announced this week by Lester E. Butler, Contra Costa County campaign director.

"Mr. Sheaff did an outstanding job in the 1952 drive, and we know he will do another great job in the 1953 March of Dimes campaign," Butler said.

The director emphasized that all communities still are in need of volunteers, both men and women, and that enlistments will continue even during the campaign if necessary. This, he said, is due to the unparalleled need of carrying the March of Dimes appeal to every business, organization and individual in the county.

Facing the consequence of the worst polio epidemic in the nation's history, this year's volunteer force is the largest ever enlisted, the director asserted.

"What happened to the nation last summer and fall," Butler said, "was more than a violent upsurge of polio incidence. It was a national calamity that wiped out all previous standards of comparison.

"For months and years to come, thousands of men, women and children will require all the skills that money and modern knowledge can muster to help restore them to useful lives. Add to this the total of those stricken in other years, and it becomes apparent what an enormous financial burden is now carried by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis."

Louis Bosa Gets EBMUD Service Pin

Louis Bosa of 28 Camino Encinas, a senior civil engineer employed by the East Bay Municipal Utility District, has been awarded a gold emblem signifying his employment with the district for five years.

Rotary Sets Its Christmas Party For Kids Dec. 20

Orinda Rotary Club's annual Christmas party and show for children of the community will be held Saturday, December 20, at the Orinda Theater.

Promptly at 9:30 a. m. Santa Claus will arrive with a sackful of gifts, which he will distribute. The movie show will start at 10. The film program will be announced next week.

An innovation this year is that instead of letting all kids in until the theater is filled, admission will be by ticket only. This is due to the big increase in the number of children in Orinda.

Tickets will be handed out at the Orinda and Glorietta Schools, under supervision of Schools Superintendent Joseph L. Sheaff, to youngsters in kindergarten, and first, second and third grades.

"The Rotary Club regrets the necessity of limiting the attendance to children through the third grade," President Leighton MacGregor said, "but feels it is equitable to do so since the annual Rotary Field Day in the spring is for children from the fourth grade up."

Rotarians Told How To Invest

Alfred Barnston of Sutro and Company, San Francisco brokerage firm, spoke on "Estate Planning" at the Wednesday luncheon meeting of Orinda Rotary Club at the Willows.

A cartoon movie on how the average individual can invest in stocks and bonds was shown. Theme of Barston's talk was that if you invest in common stocks the value of your dollars appreciate with the rise in national economy.

Program chairman was Herb Hauser, who has been with Sutro and Company for 56 years, the oldest brokerage firm on the West Coast.

Herb Moffett, Oakland attorney, will discuss "The Commonwealth Club of California" at next week's meeting.

Quarter-Acre Disputants Are Reported Arriving at '90 Per Cent' Agreement

Disputants in the quarter-acre lot size controversy "are 90 per cent ready to issue a joint statement to the public regarding their coordinated efforts to resolve differences" and a complete joint report "can be definitely expected within a week," an area-wide public meeting on planning and zoning was informed Wednesday night.

The information was conveyed by Richard Nesbitt, secretary of the Independent Citizens' Committee on Planning, to an audience of some 60 persons at Lafayette Town Hall. The meeting was sponsored by the Lafayette Improvement Association.

The Independent Citizens' committee, headed by William A. Bailey Jr., was formed in opposition to the quarter-acre lot size limitation proposal by a county-appointed advisory committee headed by George H. Cardinet Jr.

NESBITT REPORTED that the Bailey and Cardinet groups met November 6 and 13. He reviewed current efforts by the Board of Supervisors and the County Planning Commission to develop a comprehensive master plan for the county, with the planners now scheduled to report back to the supervisors by January 15.

Nesbitt was introduced by Bailey, who in turn had been introduced by W. H. Somerton, second vice-chairman of the Independent Citizens' Committee and zoning and planning chairman of the Lafayette Improvement Association.

After Nesbitt's report, Bailey introduced William Finley, assistant director of planning for the city of Richmond, who discussed the need for planning and how to go about planning.

ADEQUATE PLANNING, Finley stressed, is "a long-range program of building up a community." The way to go about planning, he said, is "by hard work—gathering facts from families and businessmen, so that future growth of the area can be somewhat anticipated."

"The essential thing," he emphasized, "is to have a good plan—one that does not look forward just to the next five years ,but to the next 25 or 35 years. . . . We have no master plan in the county now; we have only a zoning ordinance."

BAILEY ASKED if the Lafayette Improvement Association would go on record supporting the Independent Citizens' Committee in its continued efforts for a comprehensive master plan. Sumner McAllister moved that such support be given, and the motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the session on zoning and planning, the Lafayette improvers held a regular meeting of their own, conducted by President Harold Furst.

Dr. Forte Sues Horace Breed for $600,000 Damages

Dr. Joseph A. Forte of 5 Valley View has filed suit in Superior Court in Martinez for $600,000 damages for personal injuries against Horace H. Breed of 80 Camino Encinas.

The complaint charges that the Navy doctor suffered a fracture of the right leg near the hip, a pulmonary embolism and other injuries last October 11 when Breed's car allegedly struck him and dragged him for 75 yards near the Crossroads.

The complaint states that Dr. Forte had stopped his MG roadster behind halted traffic, 17 feet south of the Crossroads near the theater on his way home from Oak Knoll hospital and that Breed became angered at the delay and honked his horn and drove into the rear of the doctor's roadster.

Dr. Forte states he got out of his car and walked to the side of Breed's car to ask him what he was up to and that Breed started his car "recklessly and carelessly" and moved forward, dragging Dr. Forte 75 yards before he fell to the pavement.

According to the complaint the doctor is still confined to a wheel chair at his home and the injuries are believed permanent. Attorneys for the complainant are J. Adrian Palmquist and Clarence DeLancy of Oakland.

Santa to Visit 2 Orinda Schools

Through the auspices of the Orinda Mothers Club, Santa Claus will visit both Orinda and Glorietta Schools next Friday, December 19, the last day of school before Christmas vacation.

Santa will distribute candy canes to all school children from kindergartens through the fourth grades.

There will be Christmas trees in each classroom at the schools, with the trees brightly decorated by the pupils, and Christmas parties for each class, arranged by the respective room mothers.

The Christmas programs are a part of the regular activities of the Mothers Club, Mrs. Marvin T. Bonds, president, points out.

Recover Stolen Car—Nab 2 Men

Thieves at the Shell service station at Orinda Crossroads early last Friday were doubly ambitious, according to Inspector Norman Wilson of the sheriff's office.

Not only did they break in at 1:30 a.m., remove a car from the grease rack and drive off with it—but an hour or so later they returned and helped themselves to some auto parts.

However, the stolen car was recovered in Oakland, and two Oakland young men were apprehended for the theft. Wilson said they were Jimmy Taylor, 20, and Alvin J. Sedtley, 22.

According to Wilson, both admitted participating in the burglary, but Taylor was picked up only yesterday morning and authorities did not yet have a written statement from him.

It was expected that the two would be arraigned in a day or two. They were charged with burglary and auto theft.

Johnson Rebuffs Proposed Sanitary Dist. Advice

Central Contra Costa Sanitary District Board of Directors Chairman Elliott Johnson has called a special public meeting next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock to reconsider several proposition which occasioned sharp words and ruffled feelings at the Board's regular meeting last week.

They are: 1. The probable naming of a fifth board member, slated to be chosen in a private "executive" session this week. 2. A decision on whether to hire one of eight consulting engineer firms or individuals to make an economic survey of the district with the view of increasing efficiency and reducing costs and 3. whether to accept the voluntary and free services of 12 private citizens, leaders in several professional fields, as consultants on present and future problems of the district.

The last two items precipitated an exchange of caustic remarks last week between Chairman Johnson and his fellow directors, Ernest Spiegl and Frank Safingere, and between Johnson and Harold Furst, representative of the improvement clubs in the district which have sponsored the impartial citizen's advisory committee whose services were offered to the board last week.

WHEN FURST, arising from his seat in the audience, asked Johnson if he, as board spokesman, would accept the aid of the advisory group which would be placed at the board's disposal, Johnson said:

"I would not welcome such a committee. I'll not be anyone's captive!"

Then Furst explained the committee would offer advice only when requested by the directors themselves. The chairman retorted:

"I do not see anything wrong with the way I have been directing the Sanitary District these past several years, and I do not feel the need of advice and counsel."

JOHNSON IS the only board member who has weathered the political storms of the last few years in the district and has been considered an advocate of promoting efficiency and economy in the district's operation. He is a well-known attorney and has served the executive units of many civic groups.

Spiegl and Safingere appeared more receptive to the advisory committee proposal although Spiegl emphasized he has had no part in sponsoring the group. He said he "would go along with what the people wanted." Safingere previously has committed himself in favor of the advisory panel idea.

Only moments after upbraiding Furst for his emerity in suggesting the board needed assistance, Johnson again turned to the Lafayette improvement Association official and said:

"The board will always listen politely to what any citizen has to say."

Director Irving Roemer, who in the past has expressed willingness to cooperate with a citizen's group was absent. Further action was suspended until a fifth board member is appointed. The nomination of one of eight names submitted to the board (see story in box on this page) was scheduled on Thursday's agenda but Johnson said he thought the matter should be considered in executive, or private session.

SEE LETTER TO EDITOR
For a citizen's view of the last Sanitary District meeting turn to an inside page on which a Letter to the Editor is published.

When the proposal for an economic survey of the district was mentioned Johnson exploded:

"Just who started this idea?" Then to Salingfere:

"Tell us just what is the trouble."

Salfingere replied that he had asked for a breakdown (financial and engineering) several times. He asked "How can a person who comes here twice a month make any intelligent recommendation on the board?"

Salfingere said the study he had in mind would include an appraisal of office force and distribution of field men, analysis of probable population trends to facilitate future district planning, a review of revenue raising potentialities, review of classification and pay of employees, manpower needs and analysis of operation costs and extension of the system.

JOHNSON countered this with the conclusion that "I don'e think it's anything but a waste of money." But despite his opposition, the chairman instructed Salfingere to call in at the next meeting three consultants to give a statement of their proposed services.

M. Carelton Yoder, representative of Headman, Furguson and Carello of Berkeley, was given the first chance to present the general survay analysis aims of his organization.

Salfingere stressed the expediency of a survey at this particular time by pointing out the Central Contra Costa Taxpayers Association is recommending a general inquiry into sewer control, water and soil erosion problems in the county and "If our Sanitary District has any dirty wash we want to do it ourselves, not let someone else do it for us."

OTHER FIRMS being considered as consultants include Brown and Caldwell, San Francisco; Ray Ramsier, Berkeley; Clover and Associates, San Francisco; Bazell and Associates, San Francisco; and Kroeger and Associates, San Francisco.

The matter of a new sewer connection fee ordinance, though listed on last week's agenda, failed to be considered because, in the opinion of John Nejedly, the district's attorney, an ordinance cannot be passed without the presence of four board members.

The board has authorized Nejedly to incorporate in the draft of the tentative ordinance that the new fee shall be $100 for homes outside of presently incorporated Local Improvement Districts. Nejedly had recommended that homes within LIDs be charged this amount and that it be made retroactive but was overruled by the directors.

In ohter business the board authorized Nejedly to attempt the realization for an out-of-court settlement of a pending district suit against the Downer Corporation, which is based on $3,000 expended by the district to repair allegedly defective work performed by the corporation in Lafayette's LID No. 3.

Johnson also answered the annexation query of Theodore Beckett who had applied for inclusion of 34 acres at the end of Maureen Lane Pleasant Hill, within the district. He plans a residential development.

"WE HAVE to know whether we can take care of you first, before we pass on the annexation intelligently," Johnson said. He pointed out that board members do not want to "foreclose" on further annexations but feel the district must determine if future additions can pay their own way in relation to the required expansion of treatment plant facilities.

The system, Johnson said, already is overloaded during the rainy winter months.

Lions Christmas Party Tuesday

Orinda Lions Club will hold a Christmas party Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Willows. Wives of members and other guests will dine and dance, and other festivities are planned.

John Stoffel is in charge of the arrangements.

The club did not have its regular meeting at the Roost Wednesday due to the party.

'Twas a Wetter – Also Warmer Week in Orinda

After this past week's weather, December 4 through Wednesday, there are bound to be raincoats under the Christmas trees this year.

It rained and it rained — 5.77 inches, bringing the year's total, since July 1, up to 11.47 inches. Last year's total rainfall on December 10 was 13.89 inches — so we're not quite up to it yet!

Warmest day of the week was on Wednesday — 58 degrees — did we say warm? The coldest temperature recorded was on December 4, reading 33 degrees.

Garden Club: Yule Decor

ORINDA GARDEN CLUB'S Christmas Tea at the home of Mrs. William Fleager last week fairly shimmered with colorful Yuletide displays and decorations made by the members. At left, Mrs. Ambrose MacDonald (left) and Mrs. Embree Hockenbeamer look at an antique wire dress form which was decorated by Mrs. MacDonald. At right, Mrs. Fleager (standing) and Mrs. Frederick A. Mulvaney admire two miniature Santa Clauses.

— SUN photos by Mattson

"Christmas by Candlelight" was the appropriate name given by the Orinda Garden Club to its recent party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Fleager. Husbands of the members sipped egg nogs and coffee from 4 until 7 and voiced their admiration for the many Christmas decorations done by their wives which were displayed throughout the spacious house.

Walls of pale green and carpet a few shades darker made an ideal setting for a truly candlelit Christmas of a beauty that will not be soon forgotten.

The affair was held December 4.

IN THE DINING ROOM, Mrs. Embree Hockenbeamer presided over a beautiful tea table with a central decoration in silver and green by Mrs. Dorothy Lamb. Assisting Mrs. Hockenbeamer were Mrs Ernest Haddon, Mrs. Harold Martin, Mrs. Beach Dean and Mrs. A. W. Bowron. Mrs. Hockenbeamer was also responsible for the two mobiles that whirled gayly above the huge silver egg nog bowl.

Among the various decorations noticed throughout the Fleager home was the white Christmas tree with the hand made ornaments done by Mrs. C. Walter Cole. The mantle, festive with holly and red candles in antique ruby bowls, was done by Mrs. Jefferson Larkey, and Mrs. Kendric Morrish was responsible for the small candlelit trees on either side of the couch. Mrs. T. E. Haley's decoration was a large silver tureen filled with red carnations and Mrs. Clay Sorrick did the stylized gold and green arrangement on the piano.

MRS. LONIE BEE did the "Angel Tree" in the dining room that was covered with small angels and red bows, and Mrs. J. M. Rodwell did the arrangement in the hall of massed holly in a large white tureen. Mrs. Ambrose Macdonald ornamented an antique white wire dress form with red ornaments and a red sash. Underneath the figure she placed gold slippers filled with holly. Mrs. Kenneth Courtright and Mrs. Ernest Spiegl both did wreaths — Mrs. Courtright's a Della Robia type combined with laurel leaves and Mrs. Spiegl's consisting of red berries massed solidly and tied with a green bow.

Mrs. Roger Stark and Mrs. James North decorated Christmas trees — Mrs. Stark's tree was covered with lollipops and gum, ideal for a child's room, while Mrs. North's tree served to display some very unusual ornaments.

MRS. PAUL POLLACZEK and Mrs. Reese Jones did trees in the modern manner, while Mrs. Norris Wiggins and Mrs. Joseph Rupley did a small conventional tree flanked with angels. Mrs. Fred Crawshaw's arrangement of a Madonna against a copper background was charming, as were Mrs. Alpheus Clement's milk glass urns filled with pine.

Mrs. William Everts did an arrangement for Mrs. Fleager's bedroom of silver and pink, as did Mrs. Edward Russ.

THERE WERE MANY other delightful arrangements by Garden Club members, including Mesdames Leon Woolsey, James Anderson, John Barchfield, Theodore Beckett, Valentine Brookes, Joe Conley, Victor Cranston, Edward Dorresten, James Freeman, Henry Gentry, William Kilgo, Douglas Knight, R. H. Lancy, Edward Merrill Jr., G. Willard Miller, Earl Norton, Edward Rogers, J. H. Schwarck, Eugene Shurtleff, Edgar Stewart, David Wallace and William Wilson.

Chairman for "Christmas by Candlelight" was Mrs. Fred Mulvaney, assisted by Mesdames W. H. Mordy, John Barchfield, Haywood Gathings and Ambrose Macdonald.

Social and Clubs

Country Club Buffet Dec. 21

Orinda Country Club will hold its December buffet December 21.

The buffet was originally scheduled for December 28 but it was decided that the 21st would coincide more satisfactorily with Christmas holiday festivity.

Mrs. Zamloch, Pat Leave for Oklahoma

Mrs. Ida Zamloch and daughter Pat have left Orinda for a three weeks' motor trip and visit with Mrs. Zamloch's son Tommy, now stationed at Norman, Okla.

On the way they will visit friends in Riverside.

Killingsworths Back from Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas V. Killingsworth of 2 Hacienda Circle returned November 30 from a three week's vacation in Mexico.

In Mexico they stopped at historical points of interest and spent three days in Acapulco. In Mexico City they visited at the home of a former high school classmate of Mrs. Palmroth.

On their return to Orinda, the Killingsworths stopped in Guadalajara and Mazatlau and visited relatives in San Diego.

About our happy Country Folks

By EDITH BOLMAN

ONE REASON A BROAD GOES ABROAD IS TO GET BROADER. Now, for that reason, we personally find it excellent to stay home, but one of our younger, narrower local broads seemed able to negotiate the fattening cooking and ever-present olive oil in Africa without any untoward effects, as far as being too broad across the narrows is concerned.

But to translate — Jeannie St. Hill is home from Europe with some of the darnedest stories about cooking, but she seems not to have gained any weight.

Now, for instance, in Tangiers the fish (trout size) were all wound 'round with their tails in their teeth and crisped in olive oil to the point where they fairly bounced on the plates. The whole idea was so frustrating to the California girls that they expressed themselves volubly by giggling. The waiter interpreted the giggles as a desire for more crisp tail-biting fish and kept loading their plates. The obviousi result of this is what the young refer to as the "green death" and what some of the rest of us described as dyspepsia and what the radio discusses with "Oh, oh, you need Calso."

Nature observation in North Africa — Camels, in spite of their alluring eyelashes and soft brown orbs, aren't worth a hoot intellectually. It's all glamor and no noggin. When they are used for plowing the fields they have to be led around by the lowly donkey, who has figured out that when you come to the end the only sensible thing to do is to turn around and go back. Left alone, evidently, the heedless camel undulates along in a straight line — ad infinitum.

Girlish escapade — Just before leaving Africa they got locked in their hotel room by accident, and by the time somebody was able to get them out, the boat had sailed away. That meant they were stuck at the port of Ceuta overnight but the local British consul decided not to let a golden opportunity like that get away from him — probably hadn't seen such an attractive group for quite a spell — so he entertained them in high fashion, and now they know more about Northern Africa than is customarily provided with the round-trip ticket.

In Spain they got in one of those monkey-cage elevators where you can be seen by all people on all floors the whole time. It was such an unpredictable and erratic contraption that they, of course, got the giggles again. The harried concierge thought they were stuck, which at intervals they were, and quite a commotion resulted in trying to lift the hysterical American ladies out of the "lift."

Also in Spain — the Alhambra — magnificent; the bullfight — maudlin. It seems that after the bulls are killed, being grade A meat, they are sent to the hospitals to help keep down th butcher's bill. **That** is the benefit angle Anyway, as our friends went romping and eating their way through Spain, they had a saying, whenever they encountered some tough meat, "This bull forgot to relax."

In France they saw the Extentionalist Center, where art students from all countries wear black slacks, leopard skin belts, no lip stick (no wonder they look funny) and lead a Bohemian existence, which in Paris is a new idea only insofar as black slacks and leopard belts are concerned.

In the let's-take-another-look department — at the border they watched people in one of those cunning little European cars going through customs. In order to get to the baggage they opened the front hood, and there it was. What, thought the girls, baggage on top of the engine? — bu no — the engine wasn't there at all,, but carefully tucked away in the car's rear end.

As far as housing was concerned, they did everything — a houseboat on the Rhine, a boys' dormitory in Holland (the boys got out, of course, but absent-mindedly sauntered back in as often as possible — after first peeking through the keyhole to see if the coast was clear). The Y. W. C. A. at 60 cents a night for bed and breakfast — ten minutes of heat from the stove for one penny. In Bergen they stayed at the Girl Scout Center, and were glad they remembered the Pledge. In Oslo at a Bible school, because there was a medical convention in town and the hotels were all full.

In Paris at the Sarbonne, where, of all things, they walked instead of rode up the Eiffel Tower.

What fun it must have been — all those students riding through Europe in a rubberneck bus which soon took on the appearance of an itinerant curio store because all their various purchases were hung from the walls and the ceiling, jangling and swaying merrily with every curve.

ANY GARDEN CLUB MEMBER who didn't go to the annual Christmas party made a mistake. Not to go to anything so lovely was not to get in on something enjoyable — which is using a double negative, but there comes a time in every girl's life when she just **has** to use a double negative.

As you have already read, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Breuner were in a serious automobile accident, so Mrs. William Flaeger was the short-notice heroine for the occasion, and the egg-nog party was switched to her home.

It was certainly the official start of the Christmas season, and even the husbands were enjoying themselves, which was an edifying spectacle for this old parcel to see. Our husband, for instance, stood entranced before Mrs. Valentine Brook's arrangement in the fireplace — pine boughs and cones spilling out of a wicker basket — his only comment, after thoughtful consideration was, "And now we know what to do with your sewing basket."

There were Della Robia wreaths, miniature greens in an old gold frame, driftwood used effectively with laurel leaves, Christmas trees decorated with candy and chewing gum. Also, there is something you should know about modern angels — they are made of gold cardboard, sequins and crystal balls as of yore, but the modern touch turns up in the form of a gossamer fretwork of silver threads which form wings and, of all things, are made of plastic. This must come as somewhat of a surprise to old angels of a few years back.

LAST CALL FOR THE ORINDA BRANCH LECTURE SERIES. The deadline is deader than a dead duck; however, there are a few tickets left to rescue you from the "Slough of Despond" when, in January, you start going to parties and the conversation centers around the intelligent and fascinating subjects, past and future, which will be the topics of the Monday evening lectures.

How horrible to be one of the uninformed! Far worse than talking to souls who go off into flights of chatter quoting Pogo and Li'l Abner, which makes no sense to you because you limit yourself to Dick Tracy.

Don't gape when topics of scientific, medical engineering and present-day world trends are mentioned, and there you sit without your season ticket — quickly, phone Mrs. Ernest Kahl at Orinda 7321.

—That is all.

Large Crowd at Christmas Party Of Tanager Unit

A Christmas party given by members of the Tanager Unit of the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center was attended by a large group at the Veterans Memorial Building in Lafayette last Saturday night.

The Christmas theme was carried out by paper snowflakes and large cardboard Christmas trees. Cocktails were served, and guests enjoyed dinner and dancing later.

On the arrangement committee were Mrs. Dan Carter, chairman; Mrs. James Seaman, Mrs. Robert Boyle, Mrs. Fenn Wilson, Mrs. Nels Hamberg and Mrs. George Klement.

Mrs. D. B. Woodcock and Mrs. James McMullin were in charge of dance entertainment for the group.

Decorations were handled by Mrs. Wilson, chairman, Mrs. Zach Montgomery, Mrs. Berton Kohler, Mrs. Donald Anderson, Mrs. W. D. Coleman and Mrs. Andrew Catherall.

Barbara Massoni A Bride – Now Living in Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Anthony Jurkiewicz (the former Barbara Ann Massoni, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Massoni of 37 Robert Road) are now living in Toledo, Ohio. The marriage was recently solemnized at St. Mary's Church in Walnut Creek. The Rev. Thomas Collins officiated.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father and attended by Diane Massoni, maid of honor, and bridesmaids Marna Fidel and Betty Salyer.

Barbara Ann was gowned in traditional white satin with a fingertip veil and she carried white orchids, bouvardia and gardenias. Her attendants wore net over taffeta strapless gowns with matching stoles and carried contrasting bouquets of gladioli.

The bride's mother wore blue crepe with navy accesories, and the groom's mother, Mrs. Stanley Jurkiewicz, was dressed in blue. Mr. and Mrs. Jurkiewicz came here from Ohio for their son's wedding.

Richard Jurkiewicz of Ohio was best man, and ushers were Ivan Epley and Wayne Bryant of Nebraska.

In Hospital Again

Victor Westerfield is again in Permanente Hospital, suffering from an infection after a recent foot operation.

Gail Bargones Is Betrothed to Van den Heuvel

A cocktail party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Bargones of 208 Camino Sobrante last Sunday afternoon announced the engagement of their daughter, Gail, to Roy Van den Heuvel, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Van den Heuvel of 3388 Las Huertas Road, Lafayette.

Cocktail napkins inscribed "Roy and Gail" revealed the message of the party to relatives and friends of the couple. The gathering also marked the occasion of Gail's 21st birthday.

The young couple are graduates of Acalanes High School. Gail will graduate in June from San Jose State College where she is a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Roy will graduate from Menlo College in June. They plan to be married sometime in the late summer of next year.

Sheets Family Moves Here from Logan, Ohio

Recent newcomers to Orinda from Logan, Ohio, and living at 174 Orinda Highway are George and Myrtle Sheets and four sons, Raymond and George, who attend Acalanes, and Dennis, 10, and Thomas, 9, who attend Orinda School. Mr. Sheets is erection supervisor for Richmond Butler Manufacturing Company.

Hilltop Garden Club Meet Held

Killingsworth, Mrs. William G.

The Hilltop Garden Club held its monthly meeting Wednesday morning at the home of Mrs. D. Harman at 11 Los Palomas.

Ideas about Christmas decorations and how to make them were discussed.

Still Time To Order Wreaths from PF'ers

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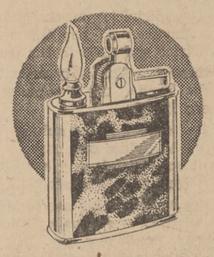

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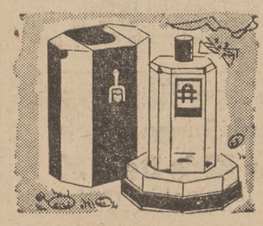

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Pack 212 Yule Party Tonight

Cub Scout Pack 212 will hold its annual Christmas party tonight at the Orinda Community Church. Santa Claus will be present with gifts for all cubs and their brothers and sisters, who have been invited to the party.

An old-fashioned Christmas tree trim and Christmas carols will be part of the program, together with a full-length movie. Mrs. Earl Wilder, chief den mother, is in charge of plans for the affair.

Pack business will be held to a minimum and only a few awards will be made.

During the viewing of the movie, the parents will have a meeting to organize an executive council of den dads and to make plans for future pack activities.

Return from L. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lafayette Smith of Orinda have returned from a weekend of festivities in Los Angeles. During their stay Mr. Smith attended a board meeting of of the California State Employees Association, of which he is the state president.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith recently spent two weeks in New York and Washington, D. C., studying civil service and retirement systems and attending sessions of the United Nations.

How New Fire Insurance Rates Affect Orindans

Following a checkup with L. L. Gilbert, manager of the Pacific Fire Rating Bureau in San Francisco, Secretary Zach Montgomery of the Orinda Fire Board explained this week how the new fire insurance rates in California affect Orinda.

"Orinda is a Class 1-4 fire district," Montgomery said. "The old three-year rate for homes with approved composition roofs was 42½ cents per $100 of insurance; the new rate is 35 cents per $100 of insurance.

"ON BUILDING CONTENTS for residences with such roofs, the old rate was 42½ cents; the new rate is 52½ cents.

"For homes with shingle or shake roofs, the old rate was 47½ cents; the new rate is 49 cents. Rate for contents of such homes was 47½ cents; it's now gone up to 57½ cents."

FIRE INSURANCE rates are on a three-year basis. The new schedule is effective as of December 1 but is not retroactive—it does not apply to policies written before December 1.

Next meeting of the Orinda Fire Board will be held next Thursday, 8 p.m., at fire station 1 on Avenida De Orinda, in the Village. The meeting has been set for that night because the fourth Thursday is Christmas.

Women's Guild Elects Officers At Yule Meeting

New officers were elected at last week's meeting of the Women's Guild of Orinda Community Church and will be installed at the January 6 afternoon meeting. Elected were:

President, Mrs. Fred Twining; vice-president, Mrs. Robert Brown; recording secretary, Mrs. A. Johnson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. G. S. Worrell; treasurer, Mrs. Stanley Hunn; auditor, Mrs. W. H. Mordy; historian and publicity, Mrs. G. Chester Brown; program chairman, Mrs. C. L. Blue; devotional chairman, Mrs. F. Van Gilluwe; membership, Mrs. G. L. Sheldon; philanthropy, Mrs. Jesse McMillan; ways and means chairmen, Mesdames John Ogden, E. Wayne and A. K. Harmon; kitchen supervisor, Mrs. J. E. Traynor; commissioner, Mrs. Verna Ramsey; adviser, Mrs. Ralph Phelps; nominating chairman, Mrs. Donald Anderson.

The gathering was the Guild's Christmas meeting.

THE HALL WAS beautifully decorated with Christmas trees illuminated with many colored lights, and a table with the Nativity scene became the altar on which were placed the thank Offering boxes filled during the year by Guild members.

Near the hall entrance door was the table on which were heaped the gifts of members to the children of Caney Creek, Ky., and to the women patients of the County Hospital in Martinez. The report of the nominating committee by Mrs. Challiss Gore was unanimously adopted.

IN A BRIEF business meeting conducted by the president, Mrs. Ralph Phelps, the group heard the treasurer, Mrs. Stanley Hunn, report that, above all contributions to the church and for various philanthropies, there was $1,119.99 in the treasury, and that 65 Christmas boxes had been setn to Europe by the philanthropy chairman, Mrs. Jesse McMillan.

The meeting was then turned over to the program chairman, Mrs. Willis Branch. Mrs. John Ogden told from memory the Bible story of the Nativity. Then Mrs. Lance Barden collected the Thank Offering boxes and placed them on the altar.

DR. HARVEY B. LYON JR., accompanied by Dan Popovich, sang two tenor solos, "Ich Liebe Dich" and "When I Have Sung My Songs to You." These were followed by "Christmas Story in Song," with Popovich playing the accompaniment, a number of piano solos. Mrs. Popovich sang soprano solos and recitative parts with the choir composed of herself, Dr. Lyon, Jean Watkins, Odette Weatherbee and Mollie Nelson.

Rev. Fred Morrow showed the film, "Christmas Around the World," which was full of surprising customs of other lands in celebrating Christmas, especially in those south of the Equator, where midsummer scenes prevail at this time.

The evening closed with the serving of Christmas-decorated cakes, coffee and tea, and a pleasant social time.

ORINDA TANAGERS UNIT held it Christmas party Saturday night at Veterans Memorial Building in Lafayette, as a "reward" affair for the many women who have participated in the auxiliary unit's work for the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center. Preparing for the colorful affair are, left to right, Mesdames Fenn Wilson, Dan Carter, Bill Witter, Robert Boyle and Nels Hamberg. — Tribune Photo

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

Clipper Club, John Ogden home, 19 Piedmont Avenue, 8 p.m.

Cub Pack 52, Orinda School, 7:45 p.m.

Senior Extra, "Snow Shoe Shuffle," Acalanes High School gym, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

Cadets of Mt. Diablo Civil Air Patrol, Buchanan Field, 2 to 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Attend the church of your choice.

California Club, Christmas party, Carla Merner's home, Reliez Valley Road, Lafayette, 6 p.m.

Chanukah celebration, Jewish Sunday School of Central Contra Costa County and Beth Hayelid Sunday School of Pittsburg, Walnut Festival Recreation Center, Walnut Creek, 2 p.m.

"The Messiah" by Handel, performed by Acalanes Evening Chorus and Pittsburg and Antioch choruses, Acalanes High School auditorium, 8 p.m.

Pilgrim Fellowship, Orinda Community Church, 6:45 to 8:45 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

Chi Lambda Chapter, Delphian Society, Orinda Community Church, 10 a.m.

Orinda Lodge 704, F. & A.M., installation of officers, Orinda Community Church, 8 p.m.

Democrats' public meeting, U. S. Senator Wayne Morse, speaker, Diablo Country Club, evening.

Boy Scout Troop 200, Scout Hut, 7:30 p.m.

Contra Costa Realty Mart breakfast, El Nido, Lafayette, 8 a.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Lions Club, Christmas party, Willows, 7:30 p.m.

Orinda Rangers, Nathan Gray's home, Spring Court, evening.

Boy Scout Troop 207, Scout Hut, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

League of Jewish Women, Women's Club, Walnut Creek, 1 p.m.

General Contractors Association of Contra Costa County, Lusiani's, Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, 7 p.m.

Rotary Club, Willows, noon.

Explorer Post 300, Scout Hut, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

Chamber of Commerce, Casa Orinda, noon.

Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, Board of Directors, 1822 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Walnut Creek, 8 p.m.

Acalanes High School annual Christmas program—Dance Group, Chorus and Band—Acalanes auditorium, 8 p.m.

Mt. Diablo Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, Buchanan Field, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

Santa Claus visits Orinda and Glorietta Schools.

Students' Christmas party, Acalanes High School, Period 6.

Second Grandson For the Harrolds

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Harrold announce the birth of their second grandson, James Lyle, born to their daughter Nancie and William Nichelman in Sacramento on November 19.

The little fellow weighed six pounds, 14 ounces.

Nancie was born in Orinda, grew up in Orinda and, after graduating from Acalanes, attended College of Pacific in Stockton. She is a frequent visitor to Orinda. Her husband is associated with the Heinz Company offices in Sacramento.

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Latin America To Be Topic of Delphian Group

Latin America will be studied by members of Chi Lambda Chapter of the Delphian Society when they meet at 10 a. m. Monday at the Orinda Community Church.

The seminar will discuss Latin American histoy, with special emphasis on Mexico and its relation to the United States. Moderator will be Mrs. Walter R. Barnett. The following members will introduce sub topics:

Mrs. Jess E. Rauch, "The Golden Continent;" Mrs. Mervyn H. Porter "Geography of Latin America;" Mrs. Gordon D. Pray, "Mexico: Economic and Social Life;" Mrs. Randall Cook, "Mexico Grows Up; The Diaz Regime," and Mrs. Kenneth K. Renwick, "Recent Trends Under Camacho and Aleman."

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To be installed are M. Blaine De Leshe, worshipful master; Richard T. Floegel, senior warden; Vernon Patterson, junior warden; Joseph F. Conley, treasurer; Astley C. Flenner, secretary; William J. Seroy, chaplain; Stewart L. Wade, senior deacon; Albert E. O'Nion, junior deacon; Paul S. Booth, marshal; Martin J. Lewis, senior steward; James E. Blades, junior steward; Norman F. Coates, organist, and John J. Prentice, tyler.

Installing officer will be W. Ralph Anderson, inspector of the 360th Masonic District, with Sherer G. Culver as master of ceremonies.

Ewart J. Phair and Paul M. Oakley will serve as ushers. Margaret Popovich will be soloist, and Daniel Popovich will be accompanist.

Presentation of the Flag will be performed by Explorer Post 300 of the Boy Scouts. Solos to be sung include "Dawn" by Curran, "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte, "Hills" by La Farge and "23rd Psalm" by Malotte.

Following the program, refreshments will be served.

Orindans May Be Cause of Big Deer

There's good hunting in "them thar hills" — cause we have big deer in West Contra Costa County. And maybe it's all due to the two Orinda men who made pets of some deer from Northern California some 30 years ago.

Ed De Laveaga and Jim Sullivan of Orinda brought deer from the northern part of the state about 30 years ago and penned them.

When the novelty of keeping their pets wore off and feed became a problem, they turned them loose on the EBMUD watershed.

It's believed the large inland blacktails interbred with the native deer and produced a mixed strain which almost doubles the weight of the ordinary Columbia deer of the Coast Range.

Bob Nordquist of Nordquist's taxidermy Studio on Moraga Highway, started by his father the late Gus Nordquist, in 1912, will tell you that local deer are bigger and better, and he thinks the imported animals may have been mule deer.

The deer on the EBMUD property are protected, but some migrate into unprotected areas and are usually older and bigger. The ordinary blacktail in this area weighs from 90 to 100 pounds, field dressed.

Court Asked To Confirm Sale Of Irvine Home

Contra Costa County Superior Court has been asked to confirm the sale of the Moraga Del Rey ranch home of the late Mrs. Katherine Brown Irvine, who died at her home April 2, 1950. She was the widow of Jame Irvine, multi-millionaire landowner.

Stanley R. Harris and Peter J. Panella bought the property at a private sale for $12,000, according to the petition of William Thornton White Jr., Mrs. Irvine's son by a previous marriage.

Mrs. Irvine left an estate valued at $656,490, according to a report by Herbert Dunkel, state inheritance tax appraiser.

The property comprises 1.94 acres and is a portion of Lot 232, Moraga Del Rey, Unit 2, the petition says.

Probate Judge Harold Jacoby also is asked to confirm the sale of various articles of Mrs. Irvine's household equipment and furnishings for a total of $3757.

Miller Speaks to Local Democrats

Senator George Miller Jr., state chairman of the Democratic party, discussed methods and plans for the organization of Democrats throughout the state at a meeting of Orinda Democrats held at the home of Bert Corona at 1 Scenic Court Monday night.

The state senator answered many questions concerning the functions and importance of local Democratic organizations.

The group discussed its tentative plans and decided to meet January 5 at the Corona residence to make plans for permanent organization.

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Pack Gives $25 To Needy Family

Pack 32 will give $25 to a needy family which it will remember with food and toys, Cubmaster Robert Rochester announced at the pack meeting at the Scout House last Friday night.

The family, to be selected by the Red Cross, will be from the Diablo area. Anything in excess of the boys' contributions will be given to collections sponsored by the Lions Club for other needy families. The Lions sponsor Pack 32.

John Bailey and Larry Hunn were taken into the pack at the meeting.

THE PACK RECENTLY made a trip to Treasure Island, where the boys went aboard a destroyer. Projects this month include Christmas tree ornaments, cards, calendars, trees made of wire, leather presents, pins from shells, paperweights and bird feeding stations. Warren Smith exhibited an interesting collection of butterflies and beetles.

The group was entertained at the meeting with skits by Dens 3 and 1. Den 3 composed words to "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer" and sang them as the original words. Each boy had a red nose and a funny hat. Den 1 gave a humorous version of "The Night Before Christmas." The boys were dressed in pajamas and acted out various roles.

THOSE RECEIVING awards included Jeff Knudsen and Donald Hill, Bobcat; Roger Howard, Billy Schwarck, Ricky Collins, Tommy Rodgers, Steve Miller and Greg DeWitt, Wolf; Byron Nelson, Bear; Jeff Schwarck, Lion.

Receiving silver arrows were Mike Bigler, Donald Granberg, Ray Haywood, Lawrence Burde and Jamie Freeman. Gold arrows went to Billy Schwarck, Tom Rodgers, Steve Miller, Jeff Schwarck and Mike Bigler.

Ex-Mrs. White's Hair Platinum

Mrs. Keith Reese, wife of an Orinda contractor and better known as the former Mrs. Dorothy White, ex-wife of Oakland Attorney C. Wadsworth White, produced a photograph this week to prove her hair is still platinum, according to the Oakland Tribune.

White had charged that Dorothy dyed her hair black when she disappeared last April from her Orinda home with the couple's two children.

The ex-Mrs. White's wedding to Reese took place October 25 at the home of the bride's sister in Coronado, a short distance from Mexico, where White says she is hiding the children.

HAVE YOU ANSWERED YOUR CHRISTMAS SEAL LETTER?

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White Granted Custody of His Two Children

C. Wadsworth White, Oakland attorney, was given exclusive custody of his two children, Cynthia 9, and Lee, 6, last week. Superior Judge Norman A. Gregg granted his petition for modification of custody.

The divorce of White and his former wife, Dorothy, became final in October. He has since remarried and lives in Danville.

According to White, his former wife was married to Keith Reese of Orinda in San Diego this fall.

Last April Dorothy White disappeared from her Orinda home with the children and their whereabouts has not been learned. It has been reported she now lives in Mexico.

Neither the ex-Mrs. White nor her attorney was present at the hearing.

Mrs. U. B. Smith's Mother Dies Suddenly

Mrs. U. B. Smith flew to Galt, Ontario, Canada, last Wednesday on hearing of the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. Martin Nichol.

She was there for the funeral services and then flew back, arriving here Sunday evening. On the way the plane had to buck a 115 mile per hour wind.

Here's 'A Day at Nursery School'

Those grown-up ladies cavorting in little-girl and little-boy costumes at Mrs. Robert Rothafel's home at 38 Oakwood Road Wednesday night weren't post-Hallowe'en masqueraders—they were thespians, if you please.

Their dramatic energy was devoted to "A Day at Nursery School," hilarious skit which was one of the highlights of the Orinda Nursery School Association's gala Christmas party. Written by Harriet Ainsworth, the skit stared Ruth Gilwee as Mrs. Myrtle Patterson, head teacher at Orinda Nursery School, and Carolyn Hecathorn as Mrs. Maxine Laney, another teacher.

Others in the skit, which had the audience practically doubled up with laughter, were Betty Folliard, Genevieve Cantrill, Lucille Ruedrich, Marian Grant, Margaret Moore, June Tharman, Harriet Ainsworth and Betsy Lohse.

Another highlight was Wirtabel Harris' dramatic reading of "The Littlest Angel."

About 70 women attended the festive gathering. Christmas decorations were by Carolyn Hecathorn. Betsy Kilburn was in charge of the refreshment committee, assisted by Jo Mirov, Frances Penny, Roberta Eberhart, Genevieve Cantrill, Peggy Majka, Peggy Wright and Mardie Gillespie.

Group singing of Christmas carols was a feature of the party.

No HS Site Lease –Grading in '53

The site for the Orinda high school in Moraga Valley, about three miles south of Orinda Crossroads, will not be leased for 1953, since preliminary grading is expected to be done next year.

That was decided by the Acalanes High School District board at its monthly meeting at Acalanes Tuesday night.

"THE LEASE WAS up for renewal," Ross Reagan, administrative assistant to Superintendent Neil M. Parsons, explained later. "The board decided not to lease the land for 1953 because of the possibility of preliminary grading next year.

"The present schedule calls for opening of freshman classes in the fall of 1955. That would necessitate start of construction in 1954, and preliminary grading in 1953.

ARCHITECT Ernest Kump of San Francisco and Delp Johnson of his staff presented a topographical survey of the Orinda high school site. They discussed with the board possible layouts and long-range development plans.

Growth of the Orinda high school is to be patterned after the Las Lomas development—only freshman classes the first year, then additional facilities to be built for another class each year until, the fourth year, there will be a full four-year high school.

Both Parsons and Reagan were at the board meeting, as were all five trustees—President John Chaddock, Ralph C. Hall, M. H. Stanley, William Freeman and Carl Newbury.

Pack 211 to Cheer Hospital Children

Pack 211 will take Christmas presents and decorations to children at County Hospital in Martinez this year.

At the pack's meeting at Orinda Community Church last Friday night, Douglas Rasmussen and Jimmy Tanovich received their Bob Cat pins. Other awards were:

Bill Caldwell and Karl Swanson, Wolf; Jim Twommey, Gold on Wolf and Silver on Wolf; Stephen Abbott, Silver on Wolf; Brad Olsen, Silver on Bear and Gold on Lion; Randy Mack, assistant denner; Karl Swanson, Kirk Long and Dick Stark, assistant denner and denner; Richard Guinther and John Guerin, denner; John Mack, John Guerin, Mike Guerin, Charles Gibbs, John Walker and Dick Stark, one-year pins and Mike Gilivan, two-year pin.

Den 13 won the attendance award and inspection award.

Den 10 won the Antless Pants award.

Mr. Newman planned the games and songs for the meeting. Dr. Roger Stark, cubmaster, was in charge of the meeting.

Double-Barreled Yule Campaign for Weimar!

It's literally a double-barreled campaign that's under way now for Christmas gifts for the tubercular youngsters at Weimar Sanitarium.

Not only is a Weimar barrel with Santa Claus at the Lafayette Christmas Carnival, as in past years, but also, a barrel has been placed at Lila Murphy's Dance Studio in Orinda (in the Land Building on Moraga Highway, next to Black's Market).

The Women for Weimar and Santa ask that new toys for young children, suitable gifts for teen-agers and children's records which present owners have outgrown be placed in these barrels—so that the 70 child patients at Weimar Sanitarium near Colfax can have a really Merry Christmas.

Mrs. T. E. Jeffries of 835 Sibert Court, Lafayette, is chairman of the Women for Weimar's barrel committee. She is assisted by Mrs. George Klement of 10 Valley View Drive, Orinda, who will see that the gifts are properly picked up.

THE GIFTS WILL be delivered to Weimar on Saturday morning, December 20, by Mrs. Lloyd Farrar of 99 El Toyonal, Orinda, chairman of the Women for Weimar. Come rain, come shine, Mrs. Farrar plans to transport the toys in her station wagon that morning—so all gifts should be in the barrels before then.

Also, in order for the money to be used for this year's Weimar Christmas party, financial contributions to The SUN'S "Christmas for Weimar" Fund Drive should be sent to The SUN this coming week.

The gifts will be distributed to the Weimar children on Christmas morning by Santa Claus. Of the 70 youngsters at the sanitarium, about 30 are from Contra Costa County, ranging in age from the very young to 21, according to Mrs. George Vurek, vice-president of the Weimar Council and original organizer of the Women for Weimar.

Both Mrs. Farrar and Mrs. Vurek this week emphasized the need for suitable gifts for the teen-agers—especially for the teen-age boys, of whom there are about 18.

"THE TEEN-AGE BOYS seem to be the most discouraged," Mrs. Vurek said. "They seem to feel left out of things, and they're more lonely than the other young patients. Therefore it's important to see that they get gifts which will really be of use to them. Playing cards, canceled postage stamps and various craft sets, such as model planes, puzzles or wood construction sets, are suitable."

Final plans for the Yuletide wrapping, tying, labeling and delivery of presents were made at a meeting of the Women for Weimar December 3 at the home of Mrs. W. A. Littlejohn on El Toyonal, Orinda. Each Weimar child will receive an individual package containing presents for him or her, plus a stocking filled with gifts.

Explorer Post Holds Annual Parents Night

Orinda Explorer Post 300 held its annual Parents Night December 3 in the Orinda Community Church Social Hall. Aproximately 90 people enjoyed the potluck supper which preceded the meeting.

In addition to the Explorer group and members' parents, there were also present the following guests and their parents: Doug Krotz, Allan Dunham, Joe Sheaff, Eddie Gathings, Jack Tanowitz, Jeff Rodden, Allan Sutton, Ron Hartsough, Hart Corbeet, Robin Muse and John Hall.

Also present with their wives were Scoutmasters Dan Sheldon of Troop 200 and Gerry Cullen of Troop 207.

Highlight of the entertainment was the showing of pictures of last summer's wilderness trip to the Marble Mountain primitive area in the Siskiyous. Kodachrome slides were shown by Pete Sheaff and Dick Doty, followed by colored movies by Abe Doty. These were followed by Ernie Spiegl's showing of colored movies of last winter's ski trip to Phillips.

Safety inspection of the car does not end with testing out the braker and greasing the steering gear. It has to do with every part of the car, including the battery, the carburetor and the electric wiring.

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Key Committes for Highway Group Set

Marking a new step in the organization's activities, the Diablo Highway Improvement Federation board decided Monday night to set up six key committees. Committee heads were named by Chairman Elliot J. Hartman.

Committee chairmen are: Membership, Ed Rowland; publicity, Yates Bleuel; county liaison, Frederick Kracke; state liaison, Charles Nelson; inter-county liaison, Sumner McAllister; rapid transit, John Tulloch.

"IN THE PAST the work which these committees will perform has been done by the board and federation chairman," Hartman explained. "Under the new setup, various major interests of the federation will be handled by committees, thus streamlining the work and involving more of the membership."

Personnel of the committees, other than the chairmen, will probably be members not on the board, Hartman said, and will be selected soon by the committee heads and the federation chairman.

TIMING OF SIGNALS at Orinda Crossroads and Acalanes Junction was discussed, with particular reference to complaints that through traffic on Mt. Diablo Boulevard is tied up through possible improper timing. It was decided to ask the state highway engineers to check the situation.

The county liaison committee will keep in touch with the Board of Supervisors, the county road commissioner and the County Planning Commission. The state liaison committee will be the "contact" with District IV state Highway engineers, the State Highway Commission and any state legislative committees dealing with highways.

FUNCTION OF THE inter-county liaison committee is to work on matters of joint concern to Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, such as proposed improvement of Fish Ranch Road, plans for a new tunnel from Shepherd Canyon to Moraga or any plans for another bore at the present Tunnel; it would be in touch with Contra Costa and Alameda County officials and with the Oakland Chamber of Commerce.

The rapid transit committee will maintain contact with the Bay Area Rapid Transit Commission and any other groups dealing with problems of developing rapid transit.

THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN, as federation directors, represent a variety of organizations. Rowland, of Lafayette, is the Walnut Creek Area Chamber of Commerce representative. Bleuel, of Orinda, is from the Mt. Diablo Junior Chamber of Commerce. Kracke represents the General Contractors Association of Contra Costa County.

Nelson, who is federation vice-chairman, represents the Orinda Association. McAllister is from the Lafayette Improvement Association. Tulloch, of Lafayette, is the representative of the Happy Valley Improvement Association.

"THE CHRISTMAS FLOWER," a pantomime adapted from a book by Joseph Henry Jackson, will be presentetd by the Acalanes High School modern dance group Thursday night when students stage their annual Christmas program in the Acalanes gymnasium. Shown rehearsing the presentation are, left to right, Betsy Lyser as the Priest; Jackie Costa, the Mother, and Loretta Cook, Lylas Lynn and Joan Schener as the Villagers. The group is led by Millicent Hamburger. The performance will get under way at 8 p. m.

— Acalanes News Service Photo

Parks Depend on Interest Shown By Communities

Communities showing the greatest interest in parks and recreation probably will have the best chance of getting county parks in their areas.

Chairman Alvin Burton of Walnut Creek, speaking at a meeting of the Contra Costa Park Council, said this was so because the county is not likely to put parks where they are not wanted.

Burton was introduced by Manuel Tanovitz, president of the Rodeo Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the meeting. Attending were 30 organization representatives from Walnut Creek, Concord, Pittsburg, Diablo, El Sobrante, Crockett, Rodeo and Richmond.

GUEST SPEAKER was Jack Parker, resident naturalist at Tilden Park. He told how the east bay citizenry has gone about getting the kind of parks and recreation it wants.

He explained how the present 4400 acres of regional parks evolved from a few picnic tables and a small plot of ground in 1934. All the present recreation facilities, he said, like golf courses, swimming pools, archery ranges, nature areas and trails, came because the people demanded them.

In other business, Mrs. Patricia A. Hart, president of the Contra Costa Unit of the Alameda - Contra Costa Medical Auxiliary, was introduced as the council's new corresponding secretary.

BURTON INTRODUCED the recently appointed treasurer, Walter A. Rugh of Diablo, a past president of the Contra Costa Memorial Hospital Association and member of the Walnut Creek organizations.

Membership chairman John Mathews of Walnut Creek reported on the current membership drive and said the council was more interested in securing organization represntation than in collecting dues.

However, he noted, the organization's minimum expenses were between $200 and $300 a year.

Cal Club's Yuletide Party Sunday Night

Cal Club actives and alumni of the University of California will hold their annual Christmas party and reunion at the home of Carla Merner on Reliez Valley Road, Lafayette, Sunday.

The party, which begins at 6 p. m., includes a buffet supper, singing and of course, Santa Claus.

The California Club has as its purpose the unification of the several branches of the Cal campus, and its members are chosen by the president of the university.

Schedule Jewish Sabbath Services

The religious affairs committee of the newly organized Contra Costa Jewish Community Center announces that Sabbath services will be held starting Friday night, December 26.

Through the kindness of the members of St. Paul Episcopal Church in Walnut Creek, a place of worship has been made available until the proposed Jewish Community Center building is erected.

Services will be held in the Parish Hall of the church. All members and prospective members of the Jewish Community Center are invited.

Educator Will Conduct Groups In 'Messiah'

Dr. William Norton will be guest conductor of the Acalanes Evening Chorus and the Antioch Chorus at their joint performance of the "Messiah" Sunday evening.

This performance at the Acalanes auditorium at 8 p. m. will be the last of three presentations by these groups. Others have been in Pittsburg and Antioch this past week.

The Acalanes performance will commemorate the fiftieth time Dr. Norton has conducted the "Messiah". A reception will be held after the program, at which time a gift will be presented to him.

Soloists for the Acalanes performance will be members of the participating choruses. They include Don Merchant, Jay Knight, Robert Gibbs, Mildred Gibbs, Beulah Cildress and Ruth Phelan, all of Antioch. Florence Veall and Kay Gray represent Pittsburg. Bruce Handley, director of the Acalanes Evenig Chorus will sing "Why do the Nations?" Accompanists are Doris Morman and Robert Reed, pianists, and Gwen Ready, organist.

No admission will be charged for the performance.

91st Psalm Used In Sermon for Christian Science

Passages from the 91st Psalm will be used in the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon for Sunday on the subject "God the Preserver of Man":

"Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night;
Nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness;
Nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday."

Correlative citations from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will include the following:

"The understanding, even in a degree, of the divine All-power destroys fear, and plants the feet in the true path, — the path which leads to the house built without hands 'eternal in the heavens.' . . Step by step will those who trust Him find that 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble'")pp. 454,444).

Trail Riders Hold Rummage Sale

The annual rummage sale to raise funds for a clubhouse at the grounds of the Concord - Mt. Diablo Trail Ride Association is being held today and tomorrow at the Post Office Building in Concord.

The clubhouse is expected to be operating for the 1953 trail ride festivities. The spring hunter trials will be held May 16 - 17.

The following new officers will be installed at a breakfast December 21 at Chubby Humble's Inn at Clayton.

President, Robert E. Flackus, Concord; vice president George Walling, Oakland; reelected treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Smith, Lafayette; reelected secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Vaughn, Concord.

New directors are Robert Mattson Concord John Owen, Oakland; Leon Wells and R. B. Burnett, Concord Chamber of Commerce membership.

Residents Asked to Attend Xmas Party

Students of Acalanes High School and more than 200 students participating in the school's annual Christmas program today invited residents of the Acalanes community to attend their holiday performance Thursday at 8 p. m. in the Acalanes gym.

Appearing on the annual high school Xmas program this year are the girls' Modern Dance group led by Millicent Hamburger and the Acalanes Mixed Chorus and band directed by Richard Hansen.

THE DANCE GROUP will present a pantomine, "The Christmas Flower," adapted from a book by the noted California newspaperman, author and critic, Joseph Henry Jackson, who has accepted an invitation from the students to attend the Thursday night performance.

This 1952 holiday program will mark the eleventh annual Christmas pageant arranged by students for presentation as the high school's Christmas present to the community Admission is free; the general public is invited.

Children Mark Chanukah with Party on Sunday

Celebration of the Jewish holiday, Chanukah, will be observed this coming week, starting Sunday. It is a festival of lights, lasting eight days.

The Jewish Sunday School of Central Contra Costa County and the Beth Hayelid Sunday School of Pittsburg, will celebrate jointly by giving a party for the children this Sunday at the Walnut Festival Recreation Center at 2 p. m. in Walnut Creek.

All children will participate in the program, which includes a tableau of the fight for religious freedom, songs and daces. Refreshments will be served and the children will exchange gifts.

Mrs. Hy Wiseman of Walnut Creek is in charge.

Local Red Cross Hosts Council

Mt. Diablo Chapter, American Red Cross, was host Monday to a meeting of the East Bay Coordinating Council.

Mrs. James F. Bailey of Walnut Creek, chairman of the four-chapter council, presided.

Mrs. Mildred K. Culbertson, executive secretary of the Mt. Diablo Chapter said 28 representatives of the Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda and local chapters attended.

Also attending were field directors of Red Cross units at the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital and Parks Air Force Base.

Mrs. Ann Martin of Alameda was selected as the council's new chairman, and Mrs. F. E. Wilson of Berkeley will be vice-chairman next year.

Young Actors to Present Two Plays

"Pearls and Gold" and "Santa Claus at Home" will be presented tonight at Lafayette Town Hall by young players of the Walnut Creek Children's Theater. Curtain time is 8 o'clock.

In "Pearl and Gold," intermediate group actors include Michael McCoy, John Cutler, Mark O'Brien, Terry Taylor, Peggy Warner, Wendy Webb, Anders Swenson and Katherine O'Neill.

ROBBIE ADAMS, Emliy Merrill, Michael McCoy, Toni Taylor, Nancy Roberts, Mark O'Brien, Claire Gustafson, Renee Wing, Sharon Carver and Barbara Wright will present the second Christmas theme drama.

The public is invited and there will be no admission charge. This weekend the intermediate group will share the experience of having their play transcribed for presentation at a future time by Radio Station KECC in Pittsburg.

Acalanes Drive Is On to Raise Funds For Therapy Help

Acalanes students, 1100 strong moved forward this week in a concentrated all-out drive on the school campus to raise funds for the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center. With the kick-off signaled by a special assembly highlighted by a visit from therapy officials and patients, Ned Davis, student body president, set the goal for the two week fund raising campaign at $700.

EACH YEAR Acalanes students conduct a charitable activity on the campus for local national or international welfare causes. This years marks the fourth consecutive drive being held to boost the services of the center.

In their past four drives for the center, Acalanes students have raised several thousand dollars and purchased needed therapy equipment.

Presentation of a check for the amount raised by students in the next two weeks will be made to therapy center officials by Santa Claus at the school's annual Christmas assembly next Friday.

Jewish Women To Hear Discussion About Chanukah

Next meeting of the League of Jewish Women will be held Wednesday, 1 p.m., at the Women's Club on Lincoln Avenue, Walnut Creek.

"The Significance of Chanukah" will be the subject of discussion by Rabbi Sidney A. Askelrad of Temple Beth-El, Berkeley. Chanukah, the festival of lights, is the celebration of the victory of Judas Maccabee and a handful of heroic followers over the Assyrians. This holiday is commemorated annually over a period of eight days, by the exchange of gifts and the lighting of the Menorah candles.

Tea and social hour will follow the business session. Members and friends are invited to attend.

$30,717 Reached In Scout Drive — All-Time Record

Final total of cash and pledges in the recent Joint Girl Scout-Boy Scout Fund Drive for the Diablo Valley area is a record $30,717.88, it was announced this week by George H. Macey, general chairman.

From each community the total, including business and special gifts divisions, is as follows: Lafayette, $8,802.89; Orinda, $8,325.75; Walnut Creek, $7,388.71; Pleasant Hill, $3,665.69; Danville, $951.65; Ygnacio Valley, $583.84; Alamo, $578.25; Diablo, $421.10.

RECEIPTS FROM community chairmen showed the following residential results to date:

Lafayette, under Mrs. George Houghton and Duncan Knudsen, $6,928.24; Orinda, under Mrs. John McFarland and Mrs. George Fink, $6,000; Walnut Creek, under Mrs. George Madden, $5,014.46; Pleasant Hill, under James Thomson, $3,460.44; Alamo, under Mrs. George H. Ramsey, $526.50; Danville-Diablo, under Mrs. Frances Betts, $715.35; Ygnacio Valley, under Jo A. Shockey, $545.09.

Business division workers, under George Conner, collected $3,710.40; the special gifts committee, under Walter Boysen, turned in $3,817.40.

IN A STATEMENT on behalf of the leaders of the campaign, Macey expressed appreciation of the fine results achieved for the Diablo Valley Area Council Girl Scouts, and the Meridian District Boy Scouts. He pointed out that through the cooperative efforts of more than 1000 volunteer workers funds totaling more than 30 percent above any previous year were realized.

"Because of the fine results of this campaign, the benefits of Scouting will be made more and more available during the coming year. Greater emphasis is being given to make it possible for every boy and girl who desires, to belong to a scout unit," Macey said.

Macey added that he particularly wanted to thank John S. Youmans, district boy scout executive, and Mrs. George Jensen, president of the Diablo Valley Area Girl Scout Council, "for their cooperation and encouragement." "And to the community chairmen, who shouldered the big job of organization, I wish to express sincere appreciation, for it is largely due to their efforts that this campaign achieved its success," he added.

"And to all of you who gave, you will receive your thanks from the satisfaction of knowing you have helped a boy or girl enjoy the scouting program."

Over $19,000 in First 3 Weeks of Yule Seal Drive

At the close of the third week of the 46th Annual Christmas Seal Sale in Contra Costa, receipts total $19,133.25, Mrs. H. B. Keating, Seal Sale chairman of the Contra Costa Public Health Association, announced.

"Although these returns are light, it is hoped the public response will be as generous as in past years," she said.

"When we use Christmas Seals on our greeting cards and gift packages, we know that we are making a gift of health to ourselves, to our neighbors and to the whole community."

The sale of Christmas Seals must support the year-'round program of the Contra Costa Public Health Association.

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Planning Report Date Jan. 15 -- (NOT Dec. 15!)

"I like to keep ahead of the news, but this seems to be going a little too far ahead — by exactly a month," the news editor mumbled.

He gazed unbelievingly at the article about the steps by the Board of Supervisors and the County Planning Commission toward master-planning, on page 1 of last week's SUN. The headline said, "Master Plan Report to County Board by Commissioners Is Due December 15." The article stated that the Planning Commission "is to make a report to the supervisors by December 15."

Trouble with those statements was that January 15 — NOT December 15 — is the date by which a Planning Commission report is to be given to the Board of Supervisors.

The news editor looked up his typewritten story, hoping he could blame the printers or the proofreader. He found he himself had written "December 15" instead of "January 15."

"Quick — some bicarbonate of soda!" he gasped. And my apologies to the supervisors, the caunty planners and our readers for my unintentional but careless error!"

Land Uses May Delay St. Mary's Zoning Petition

County planning commissioners may recommend the creation of a special college district in the zoning laws but look askance at the inclusion of some property uses listed in the application presented by Attorney Francis P. Healey of St. Mary's College, Moraga.

Deputy District Attorney Matthew Walker, who told the commission that land uses should be restricted to those complementing the existence of a four year college program, revealed the petition includes such uses as single family dwellings, a railroad station, sewage disposal plant and stables. Included are small farming, parks and playgrounds, hotels, warehouses, dehydrating plants, wineries, canneries, theaters, steam power plants, laboratories, swim pools, boarding houses, real estate offices, freight terminals, churches, and businesses such as service stations, motels, laundries, meat markets, variety stores, drugstores, etc.

IN OTHER words, he implied, the application, if approved as written, would legally leave the area open to unrestricted development.

Healey explained to an informal conference held at Moraga last week that St. Mary's seeks the rezoning to permit construction of new college units or a college shopping center without being confronted with the necessity of asking permits for every contract undertaken.

Walker told the commissioners later a special college district could be created and could then be applied to the 405-acre campus at Moraga and any other college in the county which might seek such zoning and would fit the established requirements.

School Employees

The School Office Employees Association of Contra Costa County will hold its next regular meeting January 6, in the Orinda School at 8 p.m.

Wadsworth Heads Real Estate Board

At the annual election of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board last Friday at Faust's in Walnut Creek, R. E. Wadsworth of Orinda was elected president for 1953.

Other officers elected are Arthur B. Anderson, Lafayette, vice president and Lillian Stevens, Walnut Creek, secretary-treasurer. Directors are William F. Anderson, Harlan Geldermann and King Parker Jr. Calesmen directors are W. W. Wiggins, Orinda, and Bedson Jewett, Walnut Creek.

WADSWORTH came to California 16 years ago from Nebraska, where he attended the State University. For several years he was in sales promotion work in San Francisco, Tacoma, Baltimore and many eastern cities for the Burrows Adding Machine Company and the Edison Company. He owned and operated the largest commercial sign shop in Oakland for 12 years and was then in the sales department of the East Bay Glass Company.

He bought the first lot in Moraga Estates 16 years ago, and six years ago he opened his own realtors office in Orinda. He has been president and then zone chairman of the Lions Club, was one of the organizers and also president of the Sanitary District and was one of the organizers of the Masonic Lodge of Orinda, having been its secretary the past three years.

LILLIAN STEVENS is the first woman ever elected as an officer of the board. She is the past president of the Woman's Division of the board and has been active in the board for many years, having been in the Guy F. Putnam office in Walnut Creek for over 16 years.

Archie McKinley, chairman of the Mart Committee, and Lucille Simpson, recently elected president of the Women's Division, will also serve on the board.

Installation of officers will be held early in January.

Vets Invited to Legion Yule Party

American Legion Post No. 115 is inviting all veterans and their children in the area, non Legionnaires included, to attend the annual Christmas party of the post and Auxiliary at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Lafayette Tuesday between 7:30 and 9 p. m.

A short program presented by the children is scheduled and Santa Claus will be on hand with gifts for the kiddies. Refreshments will be served. George Clarke, post commander, said three reels of Yuletide movies will be shown.

HE ALSO REPORTED on the progress of the books for Korea drive which the post has carried on the last six months. Clarke said six deliveries, each weighing from 500 to 1,000 pounds, have been made to the port of embarkation. another shipment is about ready to be packed. Books sent overseas to hospitals in Korea and for use by front line troops mostly are pocket editions which can be carried handily. Larger magazines are sent to the veterans hospital at Livermore and hard cover books are supplied for the permanent library at Parks Air Force Base.

The Walnut Creek station for leaving the books and magazines is the Family Liquor Store at 1381 Main Street.

Need Gifts for Camp Stoneman Hospital G.I.'s

The Mt. Diablo Chapter of the American Red Cross has two requests to make for the boys at Camp Stoneman Hospital.

Cookies are needed to use at their Christmas party — cookies of all kinds, especially home-baked ones.

Also, small gifts are needed to help fill their Christmas stockings; such as playing cards, cigarettes, stationery, pens and pencils, small games, candy and handkerchiefs.

Donations of whatever you feel you can possibly give of these requests will be gratefully received and must be turned in to the Chapter House in Walnut Creek prior to next Friday, December 19. For further information, contact Mrs. Arthur Gordon, supply chairman for service groups at Drake 6-4763.

Add up all those expenses involved when you shop away from this area — it pays to shop at home!

Polio Chapter's Activities Hit All-Time Peak

Activities of the Contra Costa Chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, have reached an all-time high, with 28 new cases of polio in two months added to the list of those receiving treatment, Chapter Chairman B. O. Wilson announced today.

Wilson said that between January 1 and November 30, the chapter assisted 221 polio victims in Contra Costa. Many of these, he pointed out, are persons who were stricken in previous years and still are receiving therapy. Chapter funds were exhausted in May, the chairman added, and $49,000 of the $100,700 needed to care for county cases was provided by the national foundation.

"THREE OF THE recent cases were children from the same family. In such instances the foundation is able to help bear what would otherwise be an impossible financial burden," commented Wilson.

The executive committee of the chapter will meet January 5 at 8 p.m. in the Court House, Martinez, to complete plans for the 1953 March of Dimes and to discuss further the appointment of a successor to Mrs. Clara Dailey of Richmond, executive secretry. Mrs. Dailey who has served as the executive secretary since 1946, has submitted her resignation but has agreed to continue in office until a replacement has been found.

Drum Plant Will Open in Pittsburg

A $5,000,000 fibre drum plant will be opened in Pittsburg next May by the Continental Can Company.

P. E. Kreischer, who will manage the operation said the one-story plant occupying 36 acres west of Pittsburg will be the company's first drum plant west of the Mississippi.

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FAST AS A FLASH! That's Don Garrett running right off the page. But before he left he made the 2 points that beat Lincoln in a triple over-time game last week. The guy looking at the ball dropping through the hoop is high-point man of the game, Bob Gray! — Acalanes Blueprint Photo

SPORTS

Pirates Invade Don Court Today

Pittsburg's Pirates invade the Acalanes hardwood court this afternoon for league encounters, with the Bees opening at 3 o'clock and the Varsity game starting 15 minutes after the close of the lightweight event.

Coached by Andy De Stefano, the Pittsburg Bees definitely appear to be a tough hurdle to clear for the Don Babes, who look to be among the county's best.

Coach Charles Eaton, Acalanes mentor, has whipped the local five into a smooth-working unit for so early in the season. The lads have as yet to taste anything but sweet victory—they've scored wins over Lincoln High, Alhambra and Piedmont ,in that order.

PITT'S BEES trimmed John Swett of Crockett in their last outing, 28-23.

Today's game rates even-steven, with any edge going to the Dons, due to home court.

VARSITY COACH Lee Arth has had his troubles, losing one player on eligibility and another on illness, with the result that there has been a considerable shifting about in order to find the best combination. The final lineup will not be revealed until game time.

The Varsity has had a tough row to hoe, with so many lost via the graduation route, and the problem has been to find players to hit the hoop with any consistency.

THE DONS LOST a heartbreaker last week to Alhambra in a two-overtime-period thriller and dropped one to Piedmont on Tuesday.

All of which seems to point to the Pittsburg Pirates' rating the favorite role, on the basis of their league win over Crockett by a 59-51 count, in which four players scored 10 points or more each.

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Bulldogs Defeat Dons—Bullpups Bitten by Babes

Acalanes lost a toughie and scored a decisive win in its opening of league basketball play last Friday night at Martinez when the Don fives met up with the Alhambra Bulldogs.

The Varsity game was nip and tuck most of the way, with Ray Robbins emerging the hero for Alhambra when he sank two free throws and the win in the second overtime period after the game had been all tied up at the end of the regular four-quarters with a 27-27 count. Final score was 31-29.

HEROES FOR the Dons were Mike White, who sank on unbelievable shot in the closing seconds of the fourth quarter, to give the Dons the tie and big Jim Champion, who with a second to go in the first overtime aided the Don cause no end when he hit two freethrows after the final whistle had blown, with Alhambra out in front 29-27.

That tied it at 29 all, and it all ended when Robbins hit on two free throws for the 31-29 win.

THE DONS were slow in getting started scoring but two points in the opening quarter, to trail 8-2, only to tie it up 14-14 at the halfway mark.

Bob Gray and Jim Champion were standouts for the Dons, with Gray registering 12 points, while Champion had 10.

IN THE BEE game, the Dons jumped to an early lead never to be headed as they banged out a 33-26 win over the Bulldogs after leading at the half, 24-19.

Red Jones led the Don scoring with 12, while Charlie Tourville did the same for the losers.

Crucial at Albany Next Week

Next week's only basketball games for the Acalanes Dons, at Albany next Friday, December 19—a duo of league encounters — could go a long way toward determining just where the Dons will end up in league play for the 1952-53 season.

Albany is defending champion from last season and boasts a veteran Varsity five with such players as Joe Dorsey, Mel Tamm and Wally Patch gracing its lineup.

A GREEN TEAM and injuries have hampered the Dons, but they are due for a good one, and this may be it.

On paper, it's all Albany, but thats' not the way games are decided, and the Acalanes five has caught fire before and may do it again with the big ones in front of it.

THE DON BEES face probably their best foe to date and will have to play their best brand of ball to outscare Albany's Bees, who scored a one-sided win over Mt. Diablo last Friday.

THE GAMES are to be played in Albany High's gym.

The Bee tipoff comes at 7 p.m. instead of 7:30, in accordance with league ruling adopted last Monday.

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Acalanes Varsity Bows to Piedmont But Don Bees Win

The Acalanes Varsity basketball teams traveled to Piedmont High Tuesday afternoon. The Varsity went down to defeat, 51-29, but the Bees copped a 44-31 decision over the Piedmont Highlanders.

In the Varsity game, the Dons were unable to hit the hoop with any consistency. Jim Champion copped scoring honors for the Dons with eight points, while Piedmont's Ray Mahoney led the pack with 16.

The Dons enjoyed a brief 11-9 first quarter lead but were unable to stem the tide as Piedmont went on to rack up a 23-15 halftime lead and coasted on in for the win.

In the Bees, the Dons, paced by Red Jones, who hit the mesh for 17 points, jumped to a 24-13 halftime lead and set up a stubborn zone defense in the second half to win going away, 44-31.

Coach Charles Eaton used 16 players in the game, as a tune-up for this afternoon's league game with Pittsburg High's Pirates.

How Teams Fared In First Games Of Hoop League

The Contra Costa Basketball League got under way last Friday night, and when it was all over the Don Varsity lost in two overtimes to Alhambra, 31-29, while the Don Bees won, 33-26.

Diablo almost pulled an upset in varsity play, but went down before Albany with a last-second free throw, 36-35.

IN THE LIGHTWEIGHT game, Albany had an easier time, winning with a comfortable 44-31 margin over the little Devils.

Pittsburg and John Swett met up in a free scoring Varsity contest, with Pitt copping the nod, 59-51, while the Pirates' Bees made it a clean sweep, winning 28-23.

SCHEDULE FOR today finds Pittsburg at Acalanes, Alhambra at Antioch and Albany at John Swett in Crockett.

Next week, league play takes place on Friday, December 19, with Acalanes at Albany, Antioch at Pittsburg and John Swett at Diablo.

Sideline Slants

Barbara Stark Gets New Honors—She's Named to All-American Swim Team

By ERWIN MATTSON

New honors have been bestowed on an Acalanes athlete — Barbara Stark of Orinda, former American Olympic Games team member, is the recepient of official recognition as a member of the mythical All American swimming team.

Barbara, 15 year old, was the youngest member of the American Olympic team and the only American to place in the women's swimming events.

Making the Olympics and being placed on the All-American team are certainly outstanding accomplishments, which reach the "miracle" class, considering Barbara's youth.

A bouquet to Barbara, and congratulations on her achievements as a champion performer and on wonderful sense of sportsmanship, plus the all-too-rare ability to take in all in stride. She is a real champion in every sense of the word.

ONE OF THE things which came up for consideration at a meeting at Antioch was the subject of schedules.

The baseball dates were discussed, with the idea of changing the starting time of games from 4 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. If is to be hoped that a change is made for the first round of play at least, as the 4 o'clock time means in early season playing at twilight, when visibility is poor.

Definite results will not be known until the principals act upon the coaches' recommendation, with the vote coming out in next week's minutes.

ONE THING THAT most coaches would like to see changed is the playing of league games in basketball in the afternoons.

Most of us are creatures of habit and are accustomed to night ball.

The daylight game lacks the enthusiasm and sparkle of night ball. Adults, for the most part, are unable to attend daytime games.

Afternoon games were arranged with the idea of giving more time to other events, primarily dances.

Another factor was that gyms in many instances couldn't hold all those who want to go in the evenings, and that afternoon games are more easily controlled.

Chances are that no change will be made in the situation.

SPEAKING OF basketball, the Acalanes - Alhambra tilt last Friday was really a thriller.

Not only did the fans get their money's worth from a spectator's view, but a Hollywood twist was added when the lights went out for five minutes during the Varsity game, and then two overtime periods were played, with the Dons tying the game all up in the first extra period when Jim Champion hit on two free throws after the final whistle.

An Alhambra player hit two free throws in the second overtime, to give the Martinez five the win.

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'Borgo,' Ponti Leading Scorers Of Viking Cagers

Forward Bob Borghesani, former Acalanes High all-around athlete, and Center Norm Ponti of Crockett are the early pace-setters among the East Contra Costa J.C. cage scorers.

In their first four encounters, Ponti scored 57 points, an average of over 14 per game, to move into the lead spot. But "Borgo" is right behind with 47 digits for an almost 12-point-per-game average.

ON TUESDAY NIGHT the Vikings lost to Vallejo J.C., 65-46, at Vallejo. Borghesani scored eight points; Ponti, seven.

Over the past weekend, the Vikings of Coach Gay Bryan dropped a pair of encounters to City College of San Francisco and Grant Tech.

IN SAN FRANCISCO, the green and grey finished fast to close a huge 39-17 halftime gap by the Rams but bowed ,63-51. The Vikings outscored the Rams, 34-24, in the second half but couldn't quite overtake CCSF's tremendous margin.

At Sacramento Saturday, Contra Costa was off to a blazing start, leading 31-26 at halftime, but faltered in the stretch to lose, 61-57. A 26-point barrage in the final frame cinched it for Grant.

After the Vallejo tussle, the Vikings undertake their first tournament competition. Bryan's boys are entered in the annual Hartnell tourney in Salinas, which starts next Wednesday and runs through December 20. Pairings have not yet been announced, however.

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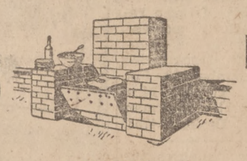
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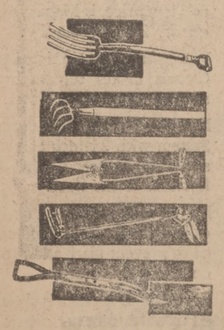
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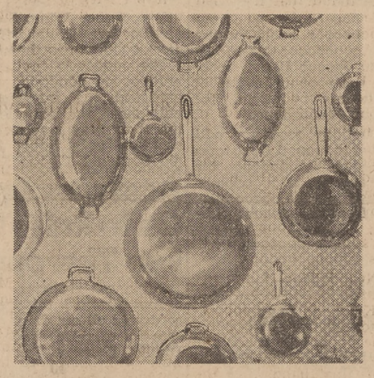
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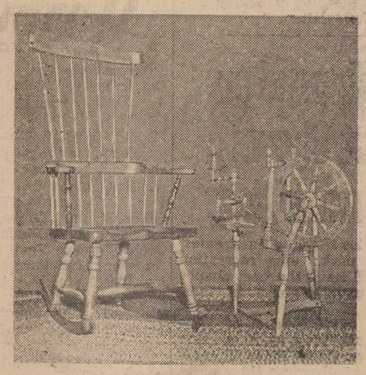
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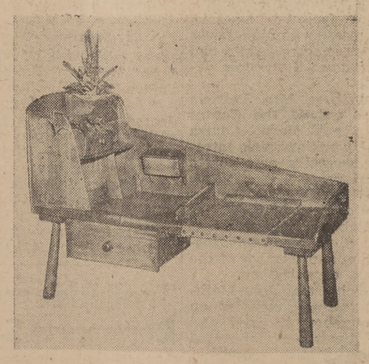
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Over $50,000 in Building Drive Of St. Stephen's

Over $50,000 had been contributed to the building fund for St. Stephen's Episcopal Church early this week, with 100 families yet to be contacted, according to J. Morris Browning, general chairman of the church fund drive which ended officially last night.

Its goal set at $75,000, the three-week campaign was conducted by approximately 30 door-to-door canvassers, under the leadership of Browning and his committee chairmen, William A. Sparling, initial gifts; William H. Mordy, special gifts; Lloyd Harris friends' gifts, and Walter Christie, team organization.

MONEY OBTAINED will be used to construct the first Episcopal Church in this area, on land purchased some months ago in the Charles Hill region by the building committee of St. Stephen's.

A road will be cut through the nine-acre property and will connect Las Vegas and Honey Hill Roads. Name for the new thoroughfare, "Via Las Cruces," was submitted by a committee from St. Stephen's and approved by county officials. The church will be situated on Via Las Cruces and will be built in English country church style of rustic redwood and brick.

ALTHOUGH THE DRIVE formally ends this week, the organization office will remain open until Wednesday for the convenience of those who desire to make contributions but have not been reached by a canvasser. Office phone is Orinda 3436.

Under the guidance of the Wells Organizations of Washington, D. C., with James B. Ray as local director, fund drive committees were set up, with T. N. St. Hill chairman of the executive committee which comprised William Arends, James Morris Browning, Walter E. Christie, Arthur B. Johnson, and William H. Mordy.

Finance committee was headed by Captain H. W. Pillsbury, with Clinton C. DeWitt, and publications, James A. Brown. Mrs. William A. Sparling was chairman of the arrangements committee, assisted by Mrs. M. E. Spaght and Mrs. Robert Bigler.

LOOKING AROUND a green lawn for footprints in the snow (?) are committee members for the Senior Extra — "Snowshoe Shuffle" this Friday Night. Left to right; Ina Mae Cockerton; Marilyn Davis, dance chairman; Jim Robertson; Sharon Eggerts and Al Stewart.—Acalanes Blueprint Photo

Your Garden

Christmas Rose, Lovely Winter Bloom, Long Noted as Yuletide Season Flower

By BERT WRIGHT

THE CHRISTMAS ROSE (Helleborus), whose name associates so closely with the Christmas season, is of ancient origin.

One legend which I recall reading some years ago said that on Christmas, when the shepherds, guided by the star, went to do homage to the Child of Bethlehem, a little girl followed them to the inn. But when she found that they had brought offerings of doves and fruits and honey, she turned away, too ashamed to enter the stable empty-handed.

AS SHE WAS wandering and weeping in the early dawn, a light suddenly shone about her and an angel appeared, asking the reason for her tears.

The little girl explained that she was poor and had no offering to give the Babe of Bethlehem.

Hearing this, the angel brushed the ground with shining wings. Everywhere sprang up the lovely white flowers of the Christmas Rose.

GATHERING GREAT bunches the child hurried back to the inn.

The three Kings and their followers were before her, bearing gifts, but when the Holy Child saw the girl with her flowers He smiled and stretched out tiny hands for the lovely blossoms.

THE HELLEBORUS belongs to the buttercup family, and there are a number of different species, most of them natives of Europe.

Best known to American gardeners is the black Hellebore (Helleborus Niger), so called because of its black root stock.

Lenten Rose (Helleborus Orientalis) is another of these interesting plants.

VALUE of the Hellebores lies in the fact that they bloom during the winter. They come at a time when the garden is almost destitute of bloom and stand out beauitfully amid their bleak and wintery setting.

Of rare beauty and perfect hardiness, they send up their lovely blooms during the coldest weather when given only the slightest protection, such as the overhanging branches of evergreen trees. They make fine cut flowers.

HELLEBORUS NIGER blooms during December and January. Because of this late blooming period, they should be planted where they may have some protection from freezing winds. A northern exposure is perfectly all right but it shouldn't be windswept.

Give them a space where they may remain undisturbed for years, because they do not stand moving very well. Dig the soil deeply and allow plenty of room for the increase.

WHEN GIVEN the proper location and a good garden soil, the Christmas Rose will grow on for years.

It provides a source of real delight to gardeners who like a bit of bloom to look upon during wineer days, or perhaps a few beautiful cut flowers for an indoor bouquet.

Mrs. Drennan, Mother Of Mrs. Ellinger, Dies

Mrs. John Ellinger flew back to her old home in Chatham, Ill., recently after hearing of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Jesse M. Drennan. Mrs. Ellinger took her son with her.

She was with her mother six weeks before her death in a hospital in Springfield, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Drennan had been frequent visitors to the East Bay and Orinda, and Marian is looking forward to her father's visit at Christmas. He probably will not settle in Orinda, as he has three sisters and two brothers near Chatham and he is superintendent of a Sunday school there.

Camera Club Has Competition Meet

The Contra Costa Camera Club had held its regular competition meeting in the Orinda Community Church Hall recently with C. P. McVicker presiding. There was an extra large attendance and a record number of prints and colored slides where presented.

Judge was "Chappie" Packard of the Berkeley Camera Club.

In the beginners group first place was awarded to C. J. Hinze, second to Audrey Hinze, third to Mrs. B. E. Monroe, fourth to C. J. Hinze and fifth to Audrey Hinze.

In the Advanced group, first place was awarded to Jim Hokanson, second to Jim, third to C. P. McVicker, fourth and fifth to Jim Hokanson.

In the color A group first, second and third places were awarded to Ben Randall; fourth to Guy Spencer and fifth to Ed Nelson. In the B color group, first place was awarded to Jim Hokanson, second to Meriam Nelson, third to R. L. Hubbell, fourth to Capt. R. E. Redden and fifth to R. L. Hubbell.

The committee in charge of the plans for the club's Christmas party at the Community Center last night consisted of Mesrames J. Lindsey, G. Fry and J. Davis.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Eliott Johnson, an astute and respected attorney, longtime director and now board chairman of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, has stubbed his toe on the bar of public opinion.

The rudeness he displayed last week, in disregarding the right to courtesy and consideration which a tax-paying resident of the district might expect from the director he helped elect, is not worthy of a man highly respected by his fellow citizens,

Johnson was voted into office as a director of the sanitary district some years ago, and subsequently named chairman of the board because the people knew his integrity was beyond reproach and he could be trusted to direct the far-flung operations of the tax-suppored unit without passion or prejudice.

That is, until lately.

Johnson has opposed, in the last three weeks, two proposals to aid the district in its economic difficulties. They are:

1. The hiring of an engineering efficiency analysis firm to conduct a thorough survey of the district's ECONOMIC, not engineering problems, in order to plan more intelligently for the coming years during which this area certainly will expand many times in population and resultant residential mushrooming.

2. The acceptance of the free counsel of 12 eminent professional men, representing several fields of endeavor allied with the district's services, which would be given ONLY when requested by the board.

This panel is composed of local residents who have made it their business as taxpayers to learn where their money is going and how it is spent. They are not "witch hunters" or highbinders; they wish only to help five directors do a job for which many corporations, with similar physical assets, require the highly-paid services of a large executive staff.

The SUN and the local improvement clubs which have sponsored this committee stated before the recent board election that the purpose of the advisory group is not to stand behind the directors' chairs and pull strings. All agreed the directors were elected to do their job the way they see fit and are highly qualified to do so.

However, it is difficult to understand why Chairman Johnson or any other director should resent the mere existetnce of a group of capable men who stand ready to volunteer professional services worth thousands of dollars in today's highly-competitive labor market.

They are executives, not used to being labeled interfering busybodies, who are willing to sacrifice time and energy for the good of the district and its patrons, the taxpayers.

The suggestion of an economic survey to be made by a firm specializing in this field is valid if such an analysis will point out definite cost saving steps which will benefit the district and lead to future expansion without overtaxing the present and foreseeable sources of revenue.

The advisory committee still would have an important function at the conclusion of this proposed survey. The report could be analyzed further by the panel in the light of intimate experience with individual local improvement district problems with which an outside engineering organization could not b expected to be familiar. Recommendations arising from such a study could be presented to the board for any action they considered necessary.

In cannot be emphasized too strongly that neither a professional survey firm nor a group of professional volunteers offering their experience without fee would be policy makers.

If the attitude of the district board chairman calls for a medieval term, then let it be that the court councillors whom he appears to spurn would sit at the foot of the throne, not behind it.

NAME WITHHELD ON REQUEST

Santa's Pipe OK But Other Smoke Can Be Ornery

"'Twas the night before Christmas . . . . And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath."

Lest the smoke be less friendly than that from St. Nick's pipe, Inspector W. Koch of the Orinda Fire Department asks that you remember these precautions for holiday happiness:

1. — Choose a fresh green tree stored out of doors, keep it out of doors until the last possible moment.

2. — Select a location away from fireplaces or furnace outlets.

3. — Check your electric light strings and don't take chances if they're worn.

4. — While decorating or cleaning up use a good ladder, don't risk a fall to spoil your Christmas.

5. — Provide plenty of ash trays for your guests.

6. — Remove gift wrappings and other combustible material immediately.

"Please spend a few moments planning a safe holiday season, for the Christmas tree, the toys, the decorations and the gaiety can bring forth stark horror, pain and ashes," Koch urges.

Armed Group Get 'Mountain Lion'

A "snarling mountain lion was reported on a hillside near Rheem Boulevard and St. Mary's Road opposite the St. Mary's College Sunday by a couple building a house.

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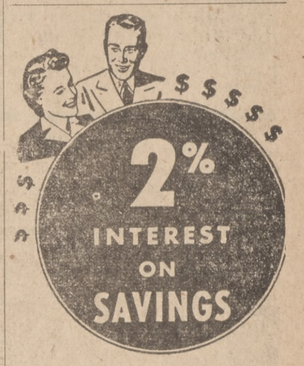

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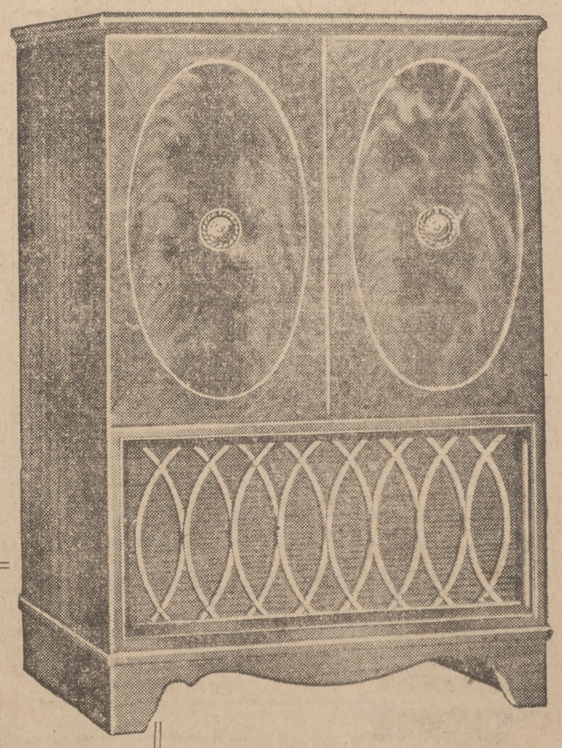
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by Bill Simpson
Somehow or other I figured most everybody around here knew that we sold drapery and upholstery yardage, as well as the finished product. It surely was a shocker last week when I got this phone call from a good friend of mine.
The conversation went something like this:
Friend: Bill, I'd like to get a bunch of traverse rods.
Me: Swell, just give us your window sizes and tell us how heavy the draperies are that will go on them. Then, we can make the proper type rod to do the job correctly.
Friend: Well, I just bought a slug of beautiful yardage at ————'s and my . . .
Me (Excited): Hold on a minute! Why the duece didn't you take a look at our stuff before you took the leap? We've got 3600 fabrics to choose from — and our prices are competitive with anybody's . . .
Friend: (A bit upset and obviously sincere) Gee, Bill, I'm sorry . . . I didn't dream you handled yardage, unless you made the draperies. And I was ready to blow my top before I found a parking space downtown.
End of conversation.
Now, I want to state right here and now (trumpets) that this store wants and is equipped to handle your business on everything from 25c yardage remnants and 5c curtain rod supports to your largest carpeting and drapery installations. Give us a whirl . . . You'll like our selection, our prices, and our service.
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Walnut Creek

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Three bedroom, 2 bath, 18x30 living room, cathedral ceiling, flagstone fireplace ceiling height. Master suite with 15x18 bedroom. Separate dining room, Beautiful kitchen with breakfast room. Professionally landscaped. Huge old shade trees, lovely covered patio and barbecue. Most luxurious home in the area. Excellent financing $5000 might handle. See this now.
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Large 3 bedroom with wall to wall carpet, over hardwood floors. Drapes included, perfect condition. Well drained level lot. Completely landscaped. (no mud or high water) Big brick patio, young orchard and lots of shrubs. Loan approximately $10,000. A real buy and $12,900.
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Barney Gilbert, Realtor
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Phone Walnut Creek 7641
12-12-1c

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Realtors Set Yule Party for Monday

Members of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board and friends will hold their Christmas party Monday night at the El Nido.

The program will include dinner, dancing, games and Santa Claus. The Women's Division of the board is in charge of arrangements under the chairmanship of Mrs. Lillian Stevens.

Assisting her are Marie Carter, Barbara Bates and Lucille Simpson.

$150 Paid for Drunk Driving

William Nelson of Concord was fined $150 for drunk driving by Judge Clifford Thomson recently.

Officers making the arrest said Nelson was driving down Main Street in a reckless and erratic manner.

Teenagers Injured In Auto Accident

Two teenagers were injured last Friday night when their car rolled over on Goodfellow Drive near Walnut Creek after failing to make a turn.

Taken to Permanente Hospital in Oakland were Alicia Bettinardi, 16, of Lafayette, and William Perry, 18, of Berkeley.

DeMolay Mothers See Flower Show

Mothers Club of Las Trampas chapter. Order of DeMolay, witnessed the chapter presentation of "Ceremony of the Flowers." Monday night.

The program was planned by Mrs. Ralph Paul of Orinda, president of the club.

500 Expected at Diablo Council Scout Meeting

More than 500 persons are expected to attend the 37th annual meeting of the Mt. Diablo Council, Boy Scouts of America, tomorrow at the Hotel Claremont in Berkeley.

Victor Lindblad, scout executive, said the afternoon business session will begin at 2:30 o'clock in the hotel main conference room. The recognition dinner will be held in the Salem Room at 6:30 p.m.

Included in the program will be the election of council officers for 1953. Presentation of four Silver Beaver Awards will be made to outstanding leaders for distinguished service to boyhood. Sixteen Boy Scout statuettes also will be presented to leaders from the council's nine districts.

Six East Campus Gridders Make All-Coast Teams

Six East Contra Costa Junior College gridders were placed on the 1952 All-coast Conference offense and defense platoons in a selection by league coaches.

Honored from East CCJC on the offensive team were End Bob Borghesani (Acalanes) Guard Bob Ditmore (Mt. Diablo) and Halfback L. C. (Jet) Joyner (Pittsburg.)

Those named to the defensive unit included End Skip Schultz (Mt. Diablo), Tackle Sal Siino (Pittsburg) and Guard George Galli (Pittsburg). Also on the defensive club was tackle Dick Ting of Menlo, All-CCCAL choice at Acalanes High last season.

● Spotlighting the Strip . . .

By KITTY COLE

Every so often I'll devote most of a column to a profile of one of the "tunnel strip" personalities, and today it's: DATA ON DANNY VAN ALLEN, or "JOE MYNAH TELLS ALL."

DANNY was born in Arizona, but his family moved to California while DANNY was a youngster, and he grew up in Long Beach. He studied violin for 9 years, and might have become a virtuoso, had Hollywood not beckoned. He continued his schooling on the TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX STUDIO lot, while appearing in Our Gang Comedies, as well as many others; notably "Sunny Side Up," with JANET GAYNOR and CHARLES FARRELL. Growing into the awkward stage took DANNY out of the movies and back into public school. In Junior High he heard that the school's musical director needed a drummer, and he volunteered, though at the time, he knew nothing at all about the instrument, but being an accomplished tap dancer, thought he could at least keep a beat. He wasn't to use his drum-beating talent until some years later, but this was the start.

In 1939, DANNY teamed with another dancer, and toured the country as the team of LYNN and ALLEN. When a duo, working an act with the famous Siamese twins, the HYLTON SISTERS, by name of HOPE, (BOB, old ski-nose, himself) and BYRNE, were fired, LYNN and ALLEN joined the HYLTON'S and were "Big time". The unit which included thirty-seven persons, was booked for a European tour, and over a period of three years, traveled through England, France and Germany, but the tour ended when the troupe found that none of their wages could be taken out of Germany.

Returning to the United States, the team of LYNN and ALLEN, now a trio, with the addition of MILDRED who DANNY married in 1934, found that vaudeville was dead. So DANNY, searching for something in the theatrical world, for which he had a great fondness, returned to the drums, and opened with his first band at the Steel Pier in Atlantic City. After a series of engagements across the continent, he found himself back in Los Angeles.

Here, he was approached by MR. CLINTON of the world-famous cafeteria, who wanted DANNY to organize the musical menu for his spot It turned out to be quite an undertaking, DANNY started out by having an organist play during the lunch hours, at tea-time, he added two strings, at dinner-time, some wood-winds, and for dancing in the evenings he used a complete eighteen piece band, which he fronted.

While in Hollywood, he also helped SPIKE JONES organize a band, and was responsible for many of the zany ideas SPIKE still uses.

After the stint with the JONES band, DANNY took his own group into SHERMAN'S in San Diego, where he played a very successful engagement and made many friends among the service-men. Many of them still write to him though it's been five years since he played there.

Having had a yen to play in the Bay Area, DANNY booked the band into the ORINDA WILLOWS for a four-week trial engagement. Was so popular, he stayed there for three and a half years, and only left because he wanted to open a club of his own.

Now you can hear DANNY on the drums, or maybe persuade him to do his dance routine, or he'll sing at the drop of a modulation. DANNY VAN ALLEN'S "The fun-spot of the tunnel strip."

What a life ! ! ! Variety is certainly the spice of DANNY'S

Reservists Hear About Interviews

Main consideration at last week's meeting of the 9441st Voluntary Air Reserve Squadron was the interviewing program launched recently by the Air Force.

Reservists, officers and airmen, are being interviewed at 570 15th Street in Oakland. Appointments can be made with Col. Ross H. St. Clair or Capt. Robert Nadeau at Twinoaks 3-6330, extension 128 or 129.

Capt. Bud Wilson of Sun Valley, public relations officer for the interviewing team, said all appointments will be scheduled at the convenience of reservists.

Wilson said night hours twice a week were started this week. Hours on Mondays and Fridays will be from 1 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays the office hours will remain 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

He said the idea of the program was to get up-to-date information on reservists and had nothing to do with recall.

"We just want to find out what they're best suited for in case of an emergency," he said. "If a man was a truck driver in the last war and is now a dentist, we don't want to call him in as a truck driver."

As an example, Capt Jack Campbell of Walnut Creek and a member of the squadron who was a pilot in World War II, has been selling appliances, and because of his experience was reclassified as a supply officer.

Soil Conservationist Will Be Transferred

Robert Flannery, presently in King City, will replace Jack Stevens, soil conservation service technician in the Walnut Creek office of the Soil Conservation Service, about January 1.

Stevens is being transferred to San Fernando.

Contractors Slate Member Meeting

Members of the General Contractors Association of Contra Costa County and their wives will hold a membership meeting of the Association at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at Lusiani's in Lafayette, according to Robert R. Platt, Orinda, president of the Association.

Matters which will be discussed include the report of the citizens committee appointed by the County Board of Supervisors regarding the minimum lot size in agricultural areas ;the Annual Convention and Exposition of the National Association of Home Builders to be held in Chicago, Illinois, January 18 to 22, 1953.

Directors elected for the years 1953 and 1954 will be announced. Board members Robert R. Platt, Orinda, J. H. Crawford, Martinez and Bernard E. Enes, Pittsburg, will remain during 1953, having been elected last year, Platt said.

Nation Focuses Interest on Sen. Morse Talk Here

Nation-wide interest is being focused on United States Senator Wayne Morse's address Monday night at the Diablo Country Club, where he will appear as guest of the Central Contra Costa Democrats.

AT THE SPEAKER'S table Monday night with Senator Morse will be Congressman-elect Robert L. Condon; State Senator George Miller, Jr., who is also Chairman of the California Democratic State Central Committee; Assemblyman-elect S. C. Masterson of the 11th iDstrict; Mrs. Clara Shirpser, National Committeewoman from California; Martin E. Rothenberg, Chairman of the Contra Costa County Democratic Central Committee; William Milliff, president of the Central Contra Costa Democrats; Mrs. Sylvia Nesbitt, secretary; Betty Chadwick and Margaret Coffey, co-vice-presidents, and Dave Comstock, treasurer.

Congressman George P. Miller of Alameda, Congressman Frank R. Havenner and John Shelley of San Francisco, and Congressman John Moss of Sacramento have been invited as guests of the local organization.

William Milliff will serve as chairman of the dinner, and Senator Miller will act as master of ceremonies. Congressman Robert L. Condon will speak before Senator Morse delivers his major address.

TICKETS TO the dinner, for $4.50, may still be purchased at the following offices:

Dave Comstock's commercial art office, 1620 Cypress St., Walnut Creek; Valley Cleaners, Hartz Ave., Danville; David Bortin's law office, 2057 Salvio, Concord; Bill Milano, 677 Cumberland, Pittsburg; Paul Ward, 413 Tenth St., Richmond; Ray Chapot, 514 Main St., Martinez; Lucas Book Store, 2430 Bancroft Way, Berekley; Democratic State Central Committee, 593 Market St., San Francisco.

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PF'ers Aiding Needy Migrants

The Pilgrim Fellowship of Orinda Community Church and all the other Pilgrim Fellowship groups of Northern California have for their current project the collecting of warm clothing and canned food for the needy migrants in the Santa Clara and San Joaquin Valleys. The youth groups are bringing the items to their churches this Sunday.

On Tuesday evening, December 23, the Pilgrim Fellowship will have its annual candlelight service in the Chapel of the Community Church. Mary Johns is in charge of the plans for the service, which will include a sermon by Carl Drews.

Shop at home—and save.

Rev. Joel Peterson At Fresno Meeting

Rev. Joel S. Peterson, together with Rev. Wesley Nelson of Oakland, motored to Fresno last Saturday to attend a meeting of the Covenant Board of Education of the California conference.

While there, the members of the board visited the campus of the Pacific Bible College, of which Dr. George Peters is the president. The board discussed plans for a greater publicity campaign for a proposed Covenant college on the West Coast.

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Sunday Service At St. Stephen's

Litany will replace the customary evening prayer as religious service on the Third Sunday in Advent to be observed Sunday at 5 p.m., by members of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, meeting at the Orinda Community Church building under the guidance of the Rev. Charles M. Hill, vicar of St. Stephen's.

Mrs. T. J. Fahay, organist, will offer as prelude, "Now the Holy Child is Born" from "Noel Provencal" by Bedell, and as postlude she will play Christmas carols.

St. Stephen's Vested Choir, directed by Sherwood Thatcher, will sing the Hymn of the Month for December, "Come O Come, Emmanuel," "Of the Father's Love Begotten" and "Come Now, Long Expected Jesus."

Sunday school classes, conducted simultaneously with the adult service, will devote their time in preparation for the Children's Pageant to be presented December 21 as part of the regular 5 p.m. service.

Directing the dramatic portion of the program will be Mrs. Stuart Henderson, while the musical portion will be under the leadership of Mrs. James Brown. Mrs. Charles Gibbs and Mrs. Kenneth Renwick will design the costumes.

Youth Group To Go to SF Dance

Members of the Young People's Fellowship of St. Stephen's Episcopal church have been invited to attend a holiday dance to be held by the youth group of the Church of St. John the Evangelist in San Francisco on December 27 at 8 p.m.

Headed by the Rev. Vern Swartsfager, popularly known throughout the United States as "the Padre of Kid's World," the San Francisco teen-agers have expressed a desire to meet the Orinda group as a result of "the Padre's" visit to St. Stephen's last month as guest preacher. Approximately 20 local youngsters are planning to attend the dance.

Last Saturday the 30 members of the Young People's Fellowship staged a successful treasure hunt, despite the wind and rain. Undaunted by the storming elements, they recovered the hidden treasure and returned to the home of Judy Dunn, where a dance wound up the evening.

Membership is increasing rapidly in the local church group. Under the leadership of the Rev. Charles M. Hill, vicar of St. Stephen's, the Young People's Fellowship started two months ago with eight teen-agers at the first meeting, and at present Y.P.F. membership numbers 30.

Open to all teen-agers, from freshmen in high-school, the group is designed for discussion of youth problems, courtship and marriage viewed from the teen-age standpoint, with emphasis on adjustment to family and working groups.

CHANUKAH, THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS holiday commemorating the fight for religious freedom will be celebrated Sunday by the Jewish Sunday School of Central Contra Costa County and the Beth Hayelid Sunday School of Pittsburg, in a joint party at the Walnut Festival Recreation Center in Walnut Creek Sunday at 2 p. m. These youngsters of the Jewish Sunday School of Central Contra Costa County are shown at Lafayette Town Hall, Preparing for the event. At Top, rehearsing their roles in the Chanukah play, are, left to right, Roger Hartman, Rob Gordon, Barry Katzman, Nickie Robinson, Bernice Zuckerman and Peter Yedida. At bottom, working on the setting, are, left to right Patsy Sawyer, David Schwartz, Robert Klass, Tori Krumholz and Hiram Feldman.

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Special Programs At Three Services Sunday Morning

There will be special programs in each of the three Sunday morning worship services Sunday at Orinda Community Church.

At 9:30 Mrs. Lucille Fahay, accompanied by Dorothy Turk at the organ, will sing Pietro Yon's "Jesu Bambino," and Dr. Gail Cleland will conduct the final session of his Bible series.

AT 10 O'CLOCK, children of the church will be shown a sound filmstrip, "Christmas Around the World" and will bring their white gifts of clothing or money for the Korean relief program of Church World Service.

Universal Bible Sunday will be stressed at the 11 o'clock hour, with a sermon by Rev. Fred Morrow on "The Word of Life," and two spirituals sung by the chapel choir under Margaret Popovich, "Rise up, Shepherd and Follow" and "Go Tell It on the Mountain."

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES in preparation for Christmas are also planned in nursery, kindergarten and primary departments. High school age young people have a morning class at the Sunday school and a two hour session beginning at 6:45 Sunday evening. The Pilgrim Fellowship group is engaged in making and selling Christmas wreaths, an annual project.

Last Sunday the congregation received nine new members, all by letter of transfer from Congregational Methodist and Presbyterian Churches: Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Luther H. Gulick, Mrs. William Margerin, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund H. Richard Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Victor J. Westerfield.

Yule Service at Orinda Theater Set for Dec. 21

Plans are being perfected for the eighth annual community Christmas service to be held at the Orinda Theater at 10:30 Sunday morning, December 21.

As in the past, this service will feature the great music of the season sung by the two choirs of Orinda Community Church under Margaret Popovich. Daniel Popovich, one of the leaders in the musical life of the area and an outstanding pianist, has chosen a Steinway for this year's service as being most appropriate to the season. Lois Flenner, concert violinist has consented to participate in the special music.

Rev. Fred Morrow will conduct the worship, assisted by C. Ray Fowler. His sermon topic will be "What Christmas Means."

These services have become a popular tradition in this area, with a congregation drawn from many other communities on both sides of the Tunnel.

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Topic of Sermon: Meaning of Advent

The sermon this Sunday at Lafayette Community Methodist Church will be "The Meaning of Advent."

Scriptural background will be taken from John's Gospel, the first chapter, verses 1-18.

Music for the 8:30 service will be furnished by the Youth Choir under the direction of John Hardy. At 11 the Senior Choir will sing, under the direction of Oscar Busch, with Josephine Shoptaugh at the organ.

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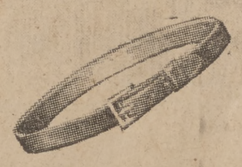

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